

# Know Me

NAME

*Kate Chaney*

PASSION

*Reading, Rock Music*

## My Story

Education and psychology have always been my biggest interests, as well as my specialty in college. That's why I was so excited to get a job with Stark DD. It seems to bring together my educational background, knowledge and satisfies my need to serve people and provide help to those who need it the most.

As a second year follow along at Rebecca Stallman Southgate School, I am assigned to provide support to an individual student with significant medical and/or behavioral needs. The purpose of the follow-along is to work with the student to keep them safe and engaged in programing, and to help them develop the skills needed to become as independent as possible. I can also assist with other students in the classroom at the teacher's request as my schedule permits.

They say "home is where your heart is," so I definitely can tell that I found home here, since coming from Russia 9 years ago and obtaining my American citizenship.

Personally, and professionally, it was so interesting for me to compare, how the system works in different countries when it comes to the DD population. I am very happy to see our students progress and to see opportunities for them in the future.



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