

Every week a group of Immaculata University students go to an after school program in Philadelphia. Each week we visit the kids ranging in age from a very tender four to twelve years old. Throughout the afternoon we help them with their homework and then take them outside and to play games with them.

There are certain moments in your life that you will always remember. I know that even after graduation my time with these kids will remain in my heart. I can still remember the first time I went and introduced myself to the class; I said my name and major and when we were finished, they were each asked to stand, say their name, and their grade. The responses made me immediately fall in love with them, "Bernice and I have first grade." Another response, "Nia and I have kindergarten." It was so hard not to smile from ear to ear because their innocence was that of a lamb. I couldn't help but wonder from which angelic cloud they fell from.

Believe it or not my favorite moments with the kids are not the ones spent outside playing, but those spent in the classroom helping with homework. It is awesome to see them grow in knowledge and skill ranging from solving equations to coloring in the lines. For example, Charles, a pre-kindergartener colored a picture at the beginning of the first semester for us, and when we compared it to a picture he colored in March we were amazed at his progress. I can honestly say I look forward to making the trip as often as I can. There is something about walking in and seeing the kids' faces light up, just because we came to visit.

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**Kevin and Bernice take a quick study break to smile for a picture**