**Welcome to my Curriculum Guide!**

**Who am I?**

My name is Brooke Ruffolo and I am a sophomore here at Butler University. I am a member of the Butler University Varsity Volleyball team. I have been playing **volleyball** since the 5th grade and the beautiful sport is **one of the main reasons I am at Butler today**. I was recruited to play here my junior year of High School and committing was the best decision. In addition to athletics, I started my freshman year with a Biology major. However, as I began my science classes, I realized **my heart wasn’t in the right place**. With the guidance of various administrators, I realized **my true passion was teaching**. In the fall of 2012, I followed my new path to the **COLLEGE OF EDUCATION** where I instantly felt like I was in the right place.

**So, what?**

 I enrolled in ED206 this semester, which is **Introduction into Early and Middle Childhood Education**. This class is taught by Dr. Pangan, who is an **exceptional instructor**, and I have been extremely lucky to have her as a teaching model for this class. The practicum aspect of ED206 is to **co-teach with a group of students** at IPS #91, a public Montessori school near Butler, for about six lessons. The emphasis of our lessons with the students focused primarily on **fruits, vegetables, and nutrition** because the final project is a trip to the Butler Farm at the end of the semester. My co-teacher, **Ms. Kaitlin Klein**, and I suggested the **tomato** to see if the students would be interested in learning about such an important Indiana-grown crop. **They were remarkably excited to study the tomato!**