

REALM

Redesigning Education & Living Meaningfully

Jessica Slayback, a pioneer in non-traditional education, believes that we have the urgent responsibility to reinvent how we educate our children. Immediately after graduating from The University of Chicago, summa cum laude, Slayback taught 4th grade for two years in Harlem with Teach for America while obtaining her Master's in Education. Through her 20+ years of experience in Public, Charter, Independent, and Private Schools, Jessica has developed and run youth theater programs within inner city schools in Chicago and NYC, created and implemented a 6-12 grade Music and Theater Curriculum for North Star Academy, obtained a grant to travel with Newark High School students to New Zealand and spearheaded the development of a thriving K/1 program in Santa Monica.

Witnessing sparks of greatness and moments of brilliance when children are honored for who they are and are presented with opportunities in which to shine led her in 2009 to develop and co-found The REALM Creative Academy. This thriving center combines a unique and innovative approach to education. It offers creative and diverse educational experiences, igniting students' minds with a passion for learning while allowing students to guide and shape their educational journey. While raising two beautiful boys with her video game designer husband, Sean, she relentlessly strives to innovate education to promote the growth of aware, empathetic, joyful, creative, purpose-driven humans.

