



About Me:

I have had the good fortune to be associated with the Ruth Washburn Cooperative Nursery School (founded in 1961) since my first visit to the school in 1991. Over the years, I have been a parent to three children at the school, teacher and director. Currently I teach the Older 4s class. I am so excited about having the opportunity to write a blog to showcase this incredible Colorado Springs institution that has profoundly and positively influenced me and my family and many, many children and families for more than 50 years.

As a children's author, I have published stories, poems and activities in Ladybug Magazine, and published numerous parenting articles. Most recently I have worked with the Pikes Peak Library District with a community of educators from Ruth Washburn and the library to develop "Grow A Reader" literacy kits. I have Elementary, Early Childhood, and Director Qualifications.

Our three children (now ages 26, 24 and 21) got fantastic starts in life at Ruth Washburn. They are finding their ways and having many successes. Each of our children has also experienced major challenges in their young and young adult lives. Skills learned at Ruth Washburn, friendships started at the school which are still going strong after more than 20 years, and the educational experiences our children have given them a strong foundation in life and us a strong foundation from which to parent.

A Ruth Washburn dad shared with me a sign he ran across in Kaza, India which reminded him of Ruth Washburn. "A Good School is a Place Where Creativity Bubbles." Creativity and much more bubble at Ruth Washburn Cooperative Nursery School. I can't wait to share with you.

Sincerely,

Sukie Jackson