



CHAD & ERICA

Dear Expectant Parent,

Thank you for looking at our profile. We are Chad and Erica. After years of issues with natural conception, we are exploring adoption in the hopes to add to our family. We are honored that you would consider our family for your child. We are looking forward to meeting you as you make this brave decision. Thank you again for your willingness to look at our profile. We are looking forward to the exciting journey ahead.

Erica and Chad

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about US

We met in 2012 at new teacher orientation and we have been together ever since. We joke that we are “high school sweethearts” because we met at the high school where we would both be teaching. We were married in 2015. We love to joke around with each other and say “I love you” everyday. We love to travel. One of our favorite trips has been to Florida for Christmas to visit Chad’s parents. We also love to travel to watch the Wichita State Shockers or Minnesota Gophers play basketball or the Minnesota Twins play baseball. One of our other favorite things to do is find new food spots in the places we visit.

We have lived in the same home for the past 10 years. We take great pride in home ownership because neither one of us had a stable living situation growing up.

We look forward to expanding our family to share in our adventures and make a lot of fun memories.



FLORIDA VIBES



ABOVE THE CLOUDS AT SANDIA PEAK, NEW MEXICO

FLORIDA IN DECEMBER, YES PLEASE!



WHAT WE LOVE TO DO *for fun!*

We love traveling and exploring new places to eat. When we travel we tend to go to smaller towns or travel during times when there are not as many people. We honestly just like being together and enjoy each other’s company. We also have interests of our own as well.

FROM CHAD - I love to fish and go to sporting events. It would be nice to have a fishing buddy!

FROM ERICA - I love backyard birding and gardening. During the holidays I enjoy baking and I dream of teaching my child to cook and bake one day.



ERICA AND HARMON



HARMON'S FIRST TIME AT THE BEACH



CHAD IN FLORIDA



OUR CAT, BLACKJACK



OUR DOG, FAITH



READY FOR CHURCH

THE WORK WE LOVE to do!

Chad teaches at an alternative high school and coaches football and Erica teaches high school English and is also a Reading Specialist. She is also studying to be a school librarian. Our work is a big part of our lives. We value education and community and teaching brings both together.

WE LOVE BOSTON TERRIERS!

We have two at the moment and Chad's parents have one. When we get together it is a great time with all the dogs. They are like family to us. Faith is nine years old, and Harmon is one year old. We also have a cat named Blackjack. She is 13 years old.

a little about ERICA

Written by Chad - Erica always looks out for others and puts others before herself. She keeps our household organized and cleaned. She is kindhearted and willing to express her opinion about all kinds of topics. Numerous students tell me her class is their favorite. She is highly respected by her colleagues. Erica is a hard worker and loves all animals including all the many birds that are attracted to our yard. She also loves gardening and is a natural caretaker to all living things.

a little about CHAD

Written by Erica - Chad keeps me laughing and grounded. He is the one that I want to talk to first about my day and helps me find a new perspective. At work he is dedicated to the students he teaches and coaches. He impresses me with his memory of facts and also of student names from years ago. Chad loves sports! He has introduced me to football and has taught me a lot about the game. I feel like I learn something new from him every day. He takes care of our yard and is the one that makes sure our vehicles are taken care of. He is the most patient person with me and lets me live up to my true potential and is the greatest friend you will ever have.

THE PEOPLE WE love

Our village consists of our parents and numerous friends. Though Chad's parents live in Florida, they are active in our lives as we hear from them at least once per day through our group chat. We have so much fun when we get together. There is always so much laughter and smiling that you want it to never end. Chad is close with the people he has coached with and has good friends from college that live in the area. Erica has a group of friends from church and of course teacher friends as well.



ERICA'S MOM AND AUNT



CHAD WITH HIS PARENTS



ERICA LOVES TO GARDEN



CHAD WITH HIS COUSINS

home SWEET home

We live within walking distance of a state park and lake. There are many trails that we use for our dogs and we also love to walk on the dam. We have lived in the same home for the past 10 years. We love to gather in our basement family room for tv time. This is also where our dogs play fetch and run around playing with each other. Our backyard is fenced and is our "oasis." We have a lot of trees for shade, a vegetable garden with wildflowers, multiple flower gardens and tons of flowers in planters as well. In the fall and also on summer evenings we can be found around the fire pit roasting marshmallows for s'mores, grilling, lying in the hammock, or just sitting on the deck enjoying a pretty day.



final THOUGHTS

We are ready to open our house and our hearts to your child. We are excited for the possibility to add new members to our family. We are so thankful that you would consider our family. We are open to an open adoption and look forward to meeting

you and hearing about your story. Our promise to you is that your child will be wanted and loved by not only us but by our extended family and friends. We thank you again for reading our profile. Thank you for your bravery.

thoughts on PARENTING

When we think about parenting, we imagine all the fun holiday traditions that we will continue and new traditions that we will create as a family. Our home with a child will be full of fun but also one of opportunity and support for whomever they want to be. We would like our child to know their birth family through an open adoption. We want our child to be confident to go out into the world knowing who they are. Our parenting philosophy is one of values and boundaries but also flexible enough to allow the child to develop independence through accepting responsibility for their actions.



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