

Ed-Co Alumni

Andrea Harbaugh - Class of 2006

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Andrea Kendrick, now Andrea Harbough, graduated in 2006. She is an Administrative Assistant at Kendrick Inc. After high school, Andrea went to college for two years majoring in human resources, psychology, and arboriculture. After that, between working for her parents at Kendrick, Inc., she also groomed dogs and eventually worked in production at Caterpillar. Andrea eventually went back to Kendrick, Inc. and is still employed there currently. When asked why she chose to stay in Edgewood she commented, "I chose to stay close to home to work for my family's business, Kendrick, Inc., and because I believe Edgewood is a great place to raise a family. The community is very active for its size and has a great atmosphere (people care about the community and has an overall very positive feel to it). The citizens not only care about the community but are supportive and it shows. My husband and I also wanted to raise our daughter in the area and have her go to the Ed-Co Community School District, which she is currently attending. It's so exciting to hear about her days at school and how much she enjoys her teachers and going to school. That being said, I know we made the right choice by staying in the area." Her favorite part about Ed-Co is, "The growth of the school (whether it is extracurricular activities or what the school offers academically) and how supportive its staff is with the students. I always enjoyed the fun activities the school did to make learning fun like track and field day in the elementary. I also remember when Mrs. C. Meyer (Cindy Meyer) was teaching first grade and we were studying Native Americans and had put a large teepee in the class, it really made learning about it fun. She really made learning fun for me." When asked what advice she would give to current high school graduates she said, "If you choose to go to college, great! If not, that is great as well! Don't be afraid to go for a skilled trade job. Not all knowledge comes from college, sometimes it's on the job training. Never stop learning no matter what path you choose or path life takes you on. Remember to work hard AND smart. Don't be afraid to take and find opportunities. Find those opportunities and learn from them to become better than what you were before." Andrea is making an impact in her hometown, she is a Viking for life.