

Amanda Alexander grew up in the deep East Texas Pineywoods north of Houston. She graduated with a General Studies Degree from Texas Tech University with an emphasis in Zoological Sciences.

After working at the Field Research Station at Texas Tech in Junction, she co-founded The Outdoor School, an outdoor education program for K-12 public schools in the Hill Country. Amanda then continued her studies at SFASU researching invasive apple snails with the environmental science department. She fell in love with teaching at SFASU's Mast Arboretum and started her teaching career at her alma mater, Lufkin High School. This year will be Amanda's 17th year in education. She's taught Biology, AP Biology, Biology IB, IPC, Chemistry, AP Capstone Seminar and Research, Research & Design, and Environmental systems.

Amanda is returning to HSPVA after a year as magnet coordinator at Energy Institute High School. She will be the 504 and IAT Coordinator this year as a Teacher Specialist. She's currently enrolled in Prairie View A&M's educational leadership program to obtain her principal certification. When she's not studying, she is walking her adopted dogs, Frankie & Ollie, or needlepointing and making jams and preserves.