

Welcome to Live Learning Lab (LLL) for 2022-2023! My name is Melissa "Ms. Mel" Medina and I am super excited to start the new school year as the LLL teacher for grades K through 6. I have been with EDUPRIZE since 2013, when my children started Kindergarten, and 4th grade respectively. Fast-forward 9 years, and now my 1 of my daughters will be starting 9th grade here at EDUPRIZE, and the other has graduated from EDUPRIZE, and is set to begin her Freshman year this coming August at NAU.

In Live Learning Lab we continue the student's cottage learning by exploring the connection of science to the cottages in their everyday classrooms. We believe that hands-on activities inside, and outside of the classroom help your child's understanding of the concepts which they are learning.

As for myself, I am originally from Texas, and moved here to Arizona with my husband in 1997. I attended New Mexico State University, and graduated from Technical Training Institute as a Licensed Practical Nurse. I spent 19 years working in the medical field, and having enjoyed my 11 years in Pediatrics; I ventured on a new career course, and was lucky enough to join the EDUPRIZE staff. My first position at EDUPRIZE was as a Paraprofessional working with the Special Education Department, and now most recently as the LLL teacher.

We are the proud parents of 2 daughters, 4 dogs, and a bearded dragon named Bandido. In my spare time, I enjoy reading, baking, and traveling with my family.

I look forward to meeting all your children, and to a fantastic 2022-2023 school year. Many blessings to you and yours.

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