

Brittany & Jon



Our Story



Trip to Kentucky



Doing one of our favorite things, watching football

Hello, we are Brittany and Jon! Thank you for taking the time to read our story and learn more about us as prospective parents.

Our story began as most do in modern times, on the internet. Brittany had just returned home from college and Jon had recently moved in with his best friend and was looking for a new start on life. Neither of us really had much luck in the online dating world but decided to pursue it. After all, it was how people could meet from across the globe, or in our case, just the next state over. On the day we started talking, we knew that we had something special. Through dates in the park, pizza dinners at Brittany's workplace at the time, and weekend trips around the Tri-State area, our love quickly grew. After almost three years of dating, we tied the knot during the summer of 2016.



Us with our silly dog Luna



At our friend's daughter's birthday party

Upon our return from our honeymoon, we decided on three major things. We wanted a house, we wanted a dog and (most importantly) we wanted a family. The first two weren't that difficult for us! We adopted a Corgi named Luna and found a wonderful home in Cincinnati. The third, however, proved to be a challenge. After two years of trying to conceive, our doctors informed us that our chances were basically zero. After digesting this news, we decided it wouldn't stop us; our hope of becoming parents can overcome anything! We hope that you can join us on this journey to give a child a loving, caring and embracing family through adoption.

About Jon

Hi, I'm Jon! I was raised in a small, close-knit family just outside of Cincinnati. At a young age, I discovered the joy of spreading happiness to others. And what's the best way to make someone smile? Through laughter! As a child, I was always telling my aunts and uncles jokes I had heard from cartoons or doing impressions of famous people. My aunt would always ask for a Hank Hill impression when visiting the house.

Though I'm a pretty fun guy, I'm a hard worker and can get down to business too. I currently work as a Data Analyst for a Healthcare company here in Cincinnati and enjoy the focus and attention to detail needed for the job.



Jon's Birthday



Jon with his best friends since junior high

In my free time, you can find me improving my programming skills, playing video games and practicing impressions (yep, never grew out of that!). I look forward to the day when I can share my laughter and joy with a child.



Jon ready for work

About Brittany

Hello there, I'm Brittany! I grew up as an only child in a small town in Indiana surrounded by a big, loving family. In fact, my cousins were more like siblings! As a child, I spent my time teaching anything and everything I could to my relatives, whether it was my latest dance routine, how to play a game I made up, or sing a song. I guess it's no surprise that I ended up becoming a teacher. I hold degrees in both Special Education and Elementary Education and have experience working with kids of all ages.



Brittany visiting New York City

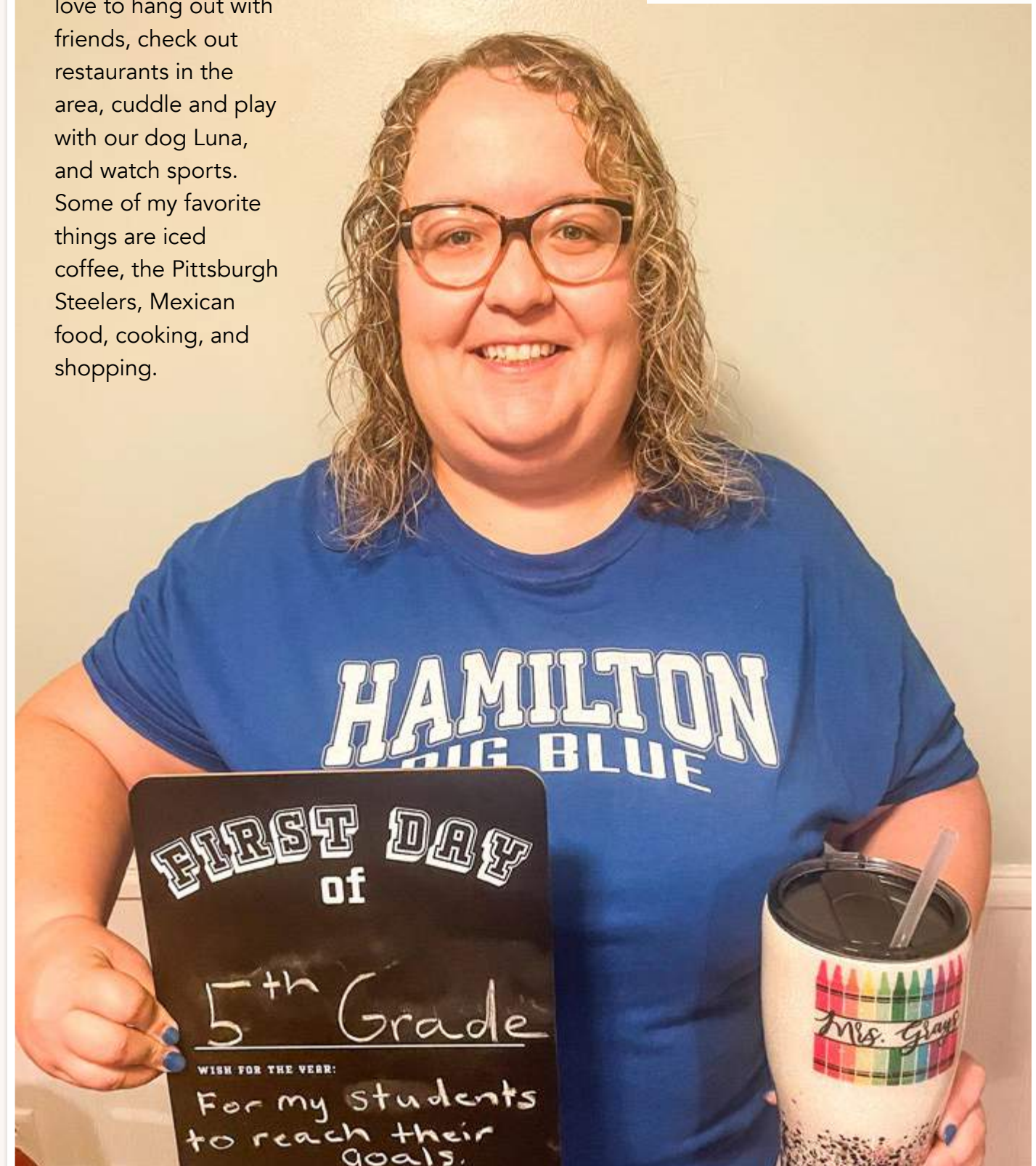


Brittany in Pittsburgh for a Steelers game

I have found my passion in my career as an elementary educator! I love being a part of those "aha moments" with my students when they figure something out. I can't wait to have some of those same moments with a future child and instill in them a love of learning.

In my free time, I love to hang out with friends, check out restaurants in the area, cuddle and play with our dog Luna, and watch sports. Some of my favorite things are iced coffee, the Pittsburgh Steelers, Mexican food, cooking, and shopping.

Brittany on the First Day of School of her first year of teaching





The day we bought our house!

Our Home

We live in a lovely home in Cincinnati. It's a fairly modern split-level house and our favorite part is the downstairs, which serves as our gaming and relaxing area. There we have our extensive board game collection, comfy couches, a fridge and plenty of space to dedicate to a kid's play area. When we aren't playing our favorite games downstairs, you can find us in the kitchen or playing with Luna in the backyard.

Our neighbors are the best! The couple who lives next door has become like family. We usually spend one night a month at their home playing board games, talking about nerdy things and swapping recipes. They are pregnant and expecting the arrival of their child in April of 2022. We are looking forward to the possibility of the little ones growing up alongside each other. Our neighborhood also has quick access to some top-notch schools and amazing parks, where children can play and grow.

The best part of living in Cincinnati, besides being close to both of our families, has to be the culture. We feel like this area gives us the best of both worlds: a big city and a small-town feel. It's a wonderful place to raise a family. We cannot wait to take a child to their first Reds game, The Museum of Natural History or just a nice picnic next to a pond (who doesn't like ducks?).



Sitting in our living room enjoying the new couch we just purchased



Our wedding day with Jon's immediate family



Christmas Celebration



Vacation to Destin, Florida with
Brittany's parents

Our Family

Our family is big, to say the least. From our blood relatives to our chosen family, we tend to make strong and long-lasting relationships. Many of our friends have small children, toddlers or just love kids! Any child who comes into our family will have no shortage of love and care from countless supporters. Whether it be buying baby clothes, spoiling them with candy or even giving them the dreaded loud toys, our friends are ready to welcome a new member into our tribe.

Speaking of spoiling, both sets of our parents are ready for this adventure. For Brittany's parents, this would be the first grandchild... and they are quite ready! They only live an hour away but we wouldn't be surprised if they moved in down the street to be closer once a little one arrives. Jon's parents are also ready for a new grandchild. They have one grandchild who is 14 and are ready to spoil another. We can't wait to host even more amazing Christmas parties with our expanded family.



Friends who have become family



Reds Game



Paint Night

Holiday Traditions: We have a lot of traditions in our house, especially around the holidays. We host a Christmas Sweater Party with our friends as well as Christmas Eve for our parents and grandparents each year. Brittany's family has British heritage so each year we participate in many British Christmas Traditions. We love Christmas Crackers, a party favor that makes a pop when you open it and includes a paper hat, joke, and trinket. We can't wait to welcome a child into our home and begin many more traditions as a family of three.



A House Divided - Steelers vs Bengals

Hobbies, Interests & Traditions

Traveling: We love to travel around the country and hope to one day expand our adventures around the world. Some of our best adventures have been trips to Chicago, Las Vegas, Tennessee and Florida. We love to experience new food, beautiful scenery and the occasional mid-priced hotel. Nothing beats singing in your car along the open road with your best friend.

Board Games and Marvel: Sometimes it's nice to just sit in with friends and play board games. We have an extensive collection and can't wait to teach a child how to beat us in games! Also, Jon was able to show Brittany the Marvel Cinematic movies; Iron Man is a personal favorite in our house.

Football: We love sports but really have bonded over our mutual love of football. Despite Jon being a Bengals fan and Brittany a Steelers fan, we are united in our love for the game!



Us at Gen Con - a board game convention

Thank You!

While we can't fathom how difficult this process may be, we hope you know how much we admire your strength and courage. Please know that if you choose us to be your child's adoptive parents, nothing in this world will stop us from giving the child a loving, warm, accepting, and supportive home. They will be loved unconditionally by our large and loving family.



We are open to making a post-adoption plan that is best for you and hope to share this special journey with you, if that is what you would like. No matter what, we will always share how much love you have for him or her.

Thank you again for your consideration. We wish you all of the love and luck as you figure out what is best for you and your child.