



People and their **Pets**

Kayla Burns

Ever since she was a little kid, Kayla Burns has always had a fascination with animals. Burns grew up in a small rural area in Minnesota. As a kid she enjoyed going out and catching small animals. By the time summer would end she would release them back into the wild. Growing up Burns has loved school, mostly science classes. When in college, all of her electives had something to do with zoology, which is what got her into teaching. Today, Burns has a classroom full of animals of all different species. In a interview with Mrs. Burns she counted more than 22 animals in her room that she would consider "pets." This is not counting all the fish and bugs in her room also. Out of all of her pets she has one favorite named Jumper, who is a two-year-old Crested

gecko. Burns got Jumper at a reptile sale in Des Moines. "Jumper is my favorite because she has interesting facial expressions, a big personality, and is a more exotic type of pet," Burns said. Burns has had Jumper ever since Jumper was a baby, and she actually got Jumper for her daughter. Yet, Jumper lives in her classroom with all the other fun pets. Burns laughs when talking about how hard Jumper can be to handle sometimes. She talked about how one time Jumper jumped on a bunch of second graders, also how one time she bit Caden Steck. Even though Burns has more animals then you can count, her heart is consoled by Jumper, who will forever be her favorite. Photo and Story by: Julia Merritt



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