My teacher, Mrs. McCrary, was a teacher that went above and beyond to help me learn something new. She taught about five other students and me how to do middle school algebra to challenge us and keep us from being bored in class. Also, when I got done with my work, she gave me more challenging work like dividing fractions, algebra, and percentages. She used her own money to buy a seventh grade math textbook so she could keep helping me advance in math. She did twice the work she had to because she took time after her normal lesson to teach me more advanced things from the seventh grade textbook, while the other kids practiced fourth grade work.

She helped me because school always came naturally to me, but she challenged me. She took her own time and organized an after school math group. She let me and other students go to after school math and let us either teach or she would give us more challenging work. There were many more things she did to help me be challenged!

I am deaf in one ear so she was always loud so I could hear, especially if I forgot my hearing aid. She made me feel different from the other kids, but not because of my hearing loss but because of my math skills. It felt more relaxed in her class because she spoke loudly and I didn't have to ask "what did you say?" ever.

All my other teachers were good but for me she really went above and beyond! She made me feel like I could accomplish anything in math. She taught me how to push myself. Mrs. McCrary was an amazing teacher!