

Lindy (Wyar) Mishler is a CT graduate of the class of 1998. While a student, she was involved in cheerleading, ski club, art club, and student council. She was also a class officer, matmaid, baseball statistician, and public address announcer. Some of her favorite memories include prom, winning states for cheerleading, and being on the homecoming court. She admits that high school was not always the easiest for her, but she had, in particular, two teachers who really helped build her confidence and she credits them for where she is now. They taught her how to persevere and follow her passions.

After high school, she attended the Indiana University of Pennsylvania, initially intending to pursue a career as an art major. But after some time, she realized that working with people fascinated her much greater than art. So, after this, she swapped majors over to sociology and graduated with a bachelor's degree. She later received a master's degree in psychology with a concentration in applied behavioral analysis from Capella University.

Today, Lindy trains people all over the state and helps lead two state programs for adults with autism through her work at the Department of Human Resources. She works within the Office of Developmental Programs in the Bureau of Supports for Autism and Special Populations as a behavioral analyst. Recently, she was a part of the team that developed the first prison unit in the country for individuals with autism.

Lindy still lives in Davidsville, the same place that raised her. She is married to Jared Mishler, another CT graduate, and they have two nine-year-old twins who are in 3rd grade. Over this long journey, she has learned that she can excel in areas she thought she couldn't and also the importance of perseverance and following her passions. Lindy stated, "If you are feeling lost, remember it's never too late to find what excites you. Keep pushing forward, and you might actually surprise yourself, too!" She is a huge inspiration to everyone in her life and to her hometown Conemaugh Township community. Congratulations on all of your achievements, Lindy!