

Founder Profile



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Founder Highlights

- In her 17 years experience as an educator, Audrey has taught in classrooms on 3 continents as well as hired, trained, and led a team of more than 30 teachers as a school director
- At 22, Audrey started her first company which was an online platform for parents to order lunches for their children to be delivered to students at school.
- At 26, Audrey sold her second company which trained unemployed women for free in early childhood development, then found employment for them as a nanny.
- Audrey took the profits from the sale of her company and started a low cost private school in Windhoek, Namibia. Over 7 years, she grew the school to 360 students and half a million in annual revenue.
- Audrey stepped down as director of her private school in 2018 but still owns 100% of the company and serves as the chairperson of the board.
- In 2018, Audrey relocated to Austin, Tx and took 2 years to enroll in a full time Data Science program so that she could gain the skills to build Class Planit.



Distance Traveled: The year I graduated from high school, my high school was ranked the lowest in my city, and my city was one of the lowest performing cities in my state, and my state was ranked 50th in education for the entire country. I'm a third generation educator and I know the power of education, but I also know that the communities that most need the power of education are deprived of it altogether. My life's mission is to use technology to more equitably provide an AWESOME education to children no matter their level of understanding, learning styles, or socioeconomic status.

Differences as Strengths: I'm a solo technical founder. My industry experience spanning over a decade and my experience as a developer allows me to build efficiently a product that is uniquely in tune with my user.