



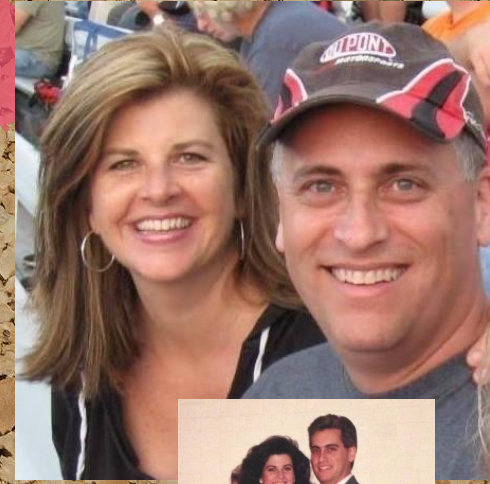
RRMS Virtual Directory

**Rocky Run
Middle
School**

Tina Dempsey - Front Office



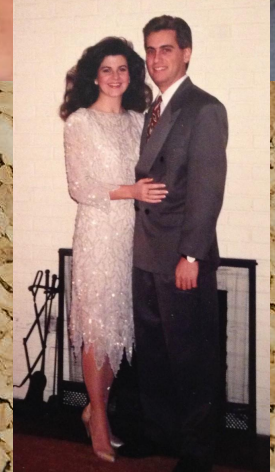
3rd year at Rocky! Whoo hoo!
10 years as Art Director in Advertising
15 years as stay at home mom
Married: 25 years
2 Kids: Samantha 23, Eric 20
Husband: Kevin
Home: Centreville
Grew up: Pittsburgh
Goldendoodle: Luna, 5 months old
Love to bake my kids b-day cakes!



The best office staff!!



Summer Escape!



Pam Galletta | School Based Technology Specialist

- SBTS at Rocky Run for 9 years
- SBTS at Riverside ES for 1.5 years
- Special Education Teacher at Fairfax HS for 5 years
- Started in FCPS as an Instructional Assistant in 2003

Tech Padawan Team!



 @plgalletta

Live in Sterling, VA
Owen (3)
Nathan (5)
Chris (38)
Poppy (12)

Poppy is in charge!



**VETERAN
Staff**

Longwood university (2003)
George Mason (2006)
FCPS ACCXV

#studentvoice



Christine Sciabica/8th Grade Assistant Principal

- RRMS Assistant Principal, Starting year 4
- Stone MS Assistant Principal - 14 years
- Westfield HS - SS Teacher 1 year
- Chantilly HS - SS Teacher 10 Years; SGA Sponsor 9 years, Leadership Teacher 9 years
- Excited to start my 30th Year in FCPS!!

Supervise: Science, Special Ed, 8th Grade Teams
Co-Sponsor: NJHS

I believe....

That all kids can learn

All kids should have equal access to opportunities

It is our job as educators to ensure those two things



Bob (husband) TSPEC for FCPS
Harris - George Mason Year 2
Sam - Penn State Year 1



Amazing Admin Team





Caitlin Ivey, School Counselor

From Western CT

7th year in FCPS

Disney Obsessed

Youngest of 5 - Aunt of 6

(2 littlest pictured, Goddaughter in stripes)

Nationals/Steelers fan

Coffee Lover

Bitten by the travel bug

Self-Care: exercise, family time,
dog snuggles, cooking/baking &
live music



Ariana Larson | School Counselor

#mentalhealthmatters

12th year at Rocky Run as a
School Counselor
Masters in School Counseling
from GWU (2009)
Bachelor of Arts from UVA (2007)



Chaser
of
children

Singer of
Disney
songs

Baker of
all the
goodies

Runner to
stay sane

Lover of
Broadway
musicals

My family! My husband Eric, and our 3 kids - Christopher (7), Samantha (4) and Patrick (2). We have a white lab named Thor, and 2 Siamese cats, Peyton and Eli



Meghan Pafumi / Theatre and English 8



- 25th year teaching
- 23rd in FCPS
- 4th at RRMS!
- Theatre and English Coach

Favorites:

- books
- being outside
- coffee
- being near water
- my family

Crossword puzzles on Saturday mornings



Mr.
Pafumi
and me



Jeremiah
EllaRita
Eli



Kathy Moore - HPE Dept



I have 3 kids and a husband. I love spending time with my family and friends, working out and going to sporting events. I enjoy cooking too!



Kristen Schopp.... Reading and History Teacher



Hi! I'm a Northern VA native who loves spending time with family and friends. I love all sports, but have played tennis and golf most of my life. I love teaching and after spending time home raising my boys, I'm very excited to get back into the classroom. Can't wait to meet you!

I'm married to Justin for 17 years, have three boys, Christian, 16 Owen, 13 Aiden 11 and our awesome dog Marley. We live in Oak Hill!



Stacey Knight Latin, Creative Writing



1785

The University of Georgia®

Mrs. Knight, "Magistra", in Latin, is married to a retired Army guy who works at the Pentagon. They have three grown, charming children:



Josh is married to Megan.

Joelle

Jacob

Magistra enjoys travel, any large body of water, good food, and great conversation. Crossword puzzles, Jeopardy!, books and coffee are among her favorite things. She loves language and seeing students learn.



Kiawah Island

Lauryn Golden / ESOL Department Chair:

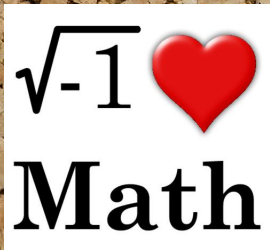
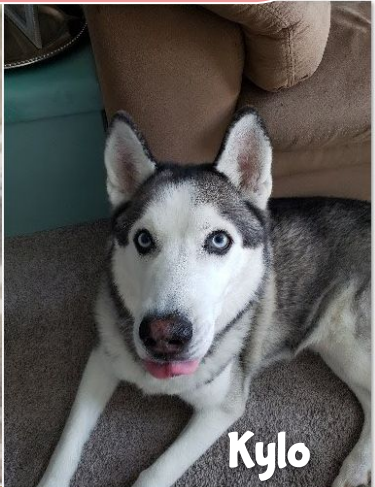
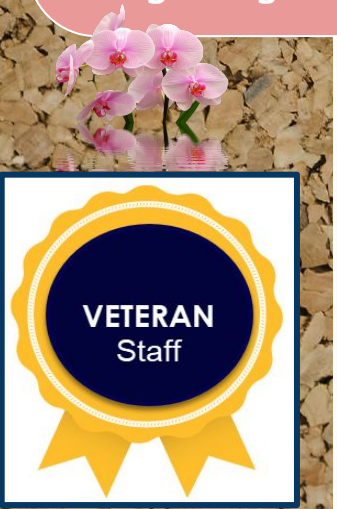


Photo:



This is my 7th year in Fairfax County and my 4th year at Rocky Run. My dogs Bruno and Kylo have an apartment in Fairfax that they let me live in.

I love reading, exploring new trails, puzzling, rewatching old Disney movies, booping dog noses, and getting kids excited about science and math!

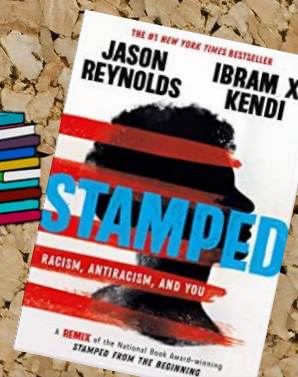


Janet Schiavone / English 8



I live in Reston with my husband, Harry. Our daughter, Page (left), is a senior at Herndon, and Peri (right) is a sophomore at Christopher Newport University.

When I am not reading or doing crossword puzzles, I enjoy being outside, preferably near water. . .



The best book I read this summer!

Stephanie Basl - HPE, APE, & Peer Helpers

the best teachers teach from the heart not from the book.

- 4th year teacher at Rocky Run MS
- Previous 23 years spent teaching/homeschooling a variety of subjects in Grades 3-9.

Love spending time with family, coaching, traveling, experiences, hiking, biking, golf, and attending live music & sporting events!

Longwood 1994
GMU 2020



LET'S GO CAPS!
LET'S GO NATS!

This Is Us!
Fiancée: Robyn
Kids: Maegan, Lauryn,
Tanner, Kelly, Courtney,
Jamie & their significant
others: Khele, Kiara,
Lucas & Isaac ... plus our
puppy Macy!



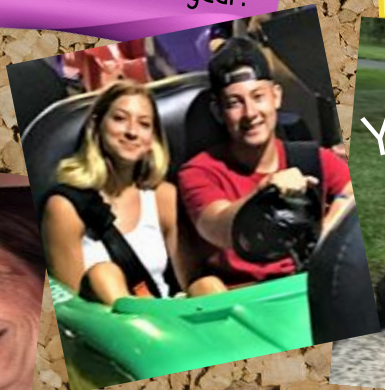
Martha Alderman / Health and Physical Education



I am entering my 25th year of teaching HPE. Most of my time has been at the Rock. Masters in School Counseling. So excited to start the new year!

Spending time with Family is what I love to do. I enjoy going to the beach, relaxing, watching sports, going on long walks, yoga, teaching, and travelling!

We don't stop playing because we grow old; we grow old because we stop playing.
George Bernard Shaw



Yogi



Bebo

Just celebrated 26 years with Jon. My son Jon is working on a Business degree and my daughter Haley is a Junior at VCU majoring in Criminology!



Joe Little: Special Education

Enjoys spending time with family, wood carving, and going to the lake.



Graduated from Florida State with a BS in Environmental Studies. Currently working on a Masters in SpEd from Liberty.

Marie (cat) is constantly hiding due to Caroline screaming Frozen songs all day.



Sarah (wife) teaches in Loudoun.
Caroline(daughter) doesn't work yet.

Felix Polendey / Chorus



8 years strong in FCPS
Chorus teacher by day, professional opera, and choral
singer during random times of the year
Avid tennis fan (Go Federer!)
OTF member, and spinning king
Will sing on command
Adventure seeker
Proud Filipino and Army brat



 @RRMSChorus
 @RRMS_Chorus

I sang with Josh Groban last year!



BM from GMU
MM from GMU
Kodaly Teaching Certification



Adjunct Faculty at Loyola University MD (Summer)
Singer at St. Timothy's Catholic Church
Tenor with Voce Chamber Singers

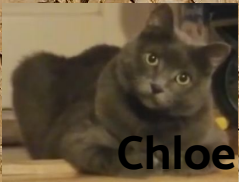


© Dhanesh Mahtani

Laura Hornberger/8th grade math



Cooley



Chloe

I'm starting my 14th (and a half) year at RRMS. I went to JMU in Harrisonburg, VA and then student taught at Rocky. I fell in love with the school and never left



I live in Manassas with my husband Wes and two kids. Peyton is 7 and going into 1st grade. Grayson is 4 and will be in a preK program this year.

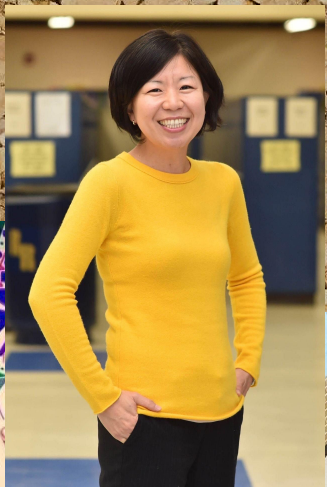


I am one of the staff sponsors for National Junior Honor Society and I am the math department chair.





Young Hong / Director of Student Services



- 7th year at RRMS
- Mother of two kids
- ❤️ Traveling, kayaking, hiking and golfing
- Super excited about SY 2020-21!!!



Joy Pryde-Haskins / Science 7



I usually spend my summers doing mission work with Appalachia Service Project, and teaching summer camps for gifted children in China



I enjoy ballroom dancing, traveling and organizing things

This is my 23rd year at RRMS, and 26th year in the county.

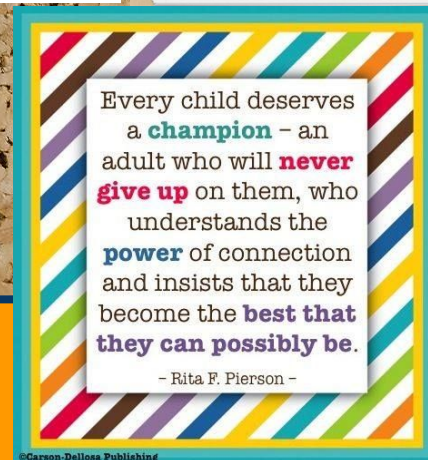
This year I spent my summer watching Netflix, growing tomatoes, and hanging out with my pets.





Katherine Bolton | Special Education Teacher - Civics

- * BA in Government from Connecticut College
- * MS in Education from Virginia Tech
- * Special Education certification from VCU



- Special Education Teacher for 3 years - Civics, Physical Science, Strategies for Success
- Joined Rocky Run MS in 2013 as a SPED IA
- Started with FCPS at Floris Elementary as an Instructional Assistant in 2011



Ellen Bickford, Librarian

- **Librarian at RRMS, starting year 3**
- **Librarian (4 years)**
- **Classroom teacher (20 years)**
Timber Ridge HS, Carson MS, Lake Braddock SS, & Woodson HS
- **Thrilled to start my 25 year as an educator!**



 @ELBlibrarian

Mom to
Lucas
(9th) &
Graham
(7th)

Husband is
Carson's
theater
teacher

Middle
schoolers
are the
best!

Has 3 cats,
all named
for book
characters

Loves to
exercise,
crochet, &
read



ROCK
NEWS!



Shannon Campbell, After-School Specialist

Year #15 in FCPS!

-13 years at Thoreau MS

*3 years as a SPED teacher

*10 years as After-School Specialist

-2nd year at Rocky Run

JMU



Originally from NJ.
JMU Grad
I live in Aldie with my husband, Jason, and our 2 babes - Emerson (3) and Ashton (1). Can't leave out our furst-born, Dexter - a 5 year old super cuddly, super fast Vizsla!

Young Lee, Math teacher:

- Started in FCPS as an Instructional Assistant at Chantilly HS (2yrs)
- Special education teacher for 6 years
- Has taught at Hughes MS (7yrs) and Stone MS(5yrs)
- Second year at Rocky Run MS



Mom of
two girls
Emma (8)
& Ava (6)

Love being
active

Love
playing/listening
music

Love trying
new things

Love
Gardening
& Cooking

Looking forward to a great school year!!
Ready to engage students and have fun
with them !!

Rachel Grover / Librarian  @RRMS_Library



- 7th year as a librarian and in FCPS
- I taught 5th grade, as well as 7th and 8th grade English in Prince William County
- Old Dominion University graduate
- I love reading, traveling, photography, and tech!

Battle of
the Books
Sponsor



My wife,
Stacy, is a
librarian at
Hayfield SS



Adjunct
Faculty at
ODU

LEVEL 2

CERTIFIED
Educator

 for Education

Our two cats,
Calvin and
Hobbes



MAGGIE BROWN / US HISTORY 7

15TH (!) year at ROCKY RUN MIDDLE SCHOOL!

MOM OF TWO KIDDOS AND TWO DOGGOS.

AVID runner and HIKER. Generally LOVE BEING OUTDOORS whenever POSSIBLE.



@MrsBrownRRMS

Rick Wadsworth - Algebra I Honors & Math 7 Honors

- 14th year - All at Rocky Run
- Love sports - watching and playing.
- 2 children - a 4-year-old girl and a 5-year-old with four legs and fur.



LEVEL 2

CERTIFIED
Educator


Google for Education



Melissa Witt-Special Ed Department Chair

This is my 26th year teaching/working in the field of special education and the start of my 5th year at Rocky Run! I absolutely love what I do!



I live in on Lake Anne in Reston with my husband and two children. My son is a freshman at Clemson and my daughter is a senior at South Lakes. Living on the lake has been a blessing during Covid! . 

*Reading
*Going to Concerts
*Spending time on the water

"Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better."

-- Maya Angelou

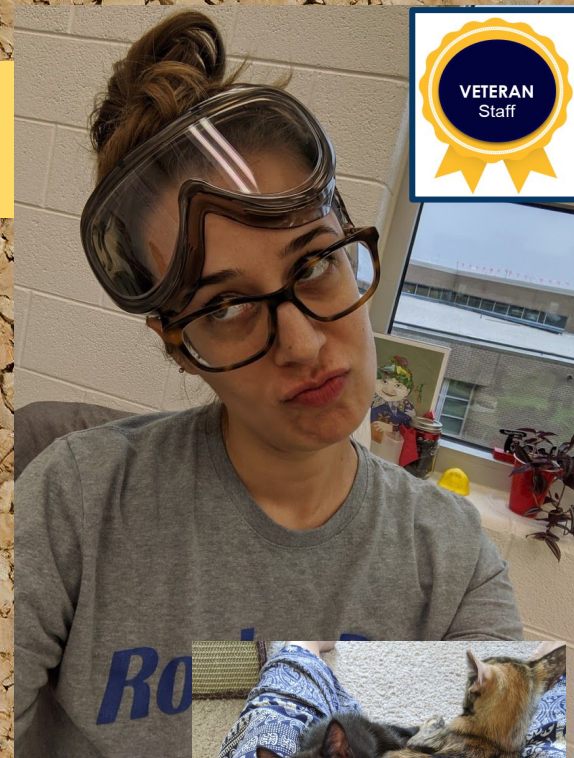
VETERAN
Staff

Carlydale Murphy / Special Education Teacher



3rd year at RRMS, 8th year teaching, 1st year full time in CAT B. I am a jack of all trades teacher of all things.

I don't mind what I teach, I just like making sure School is fun for kids.



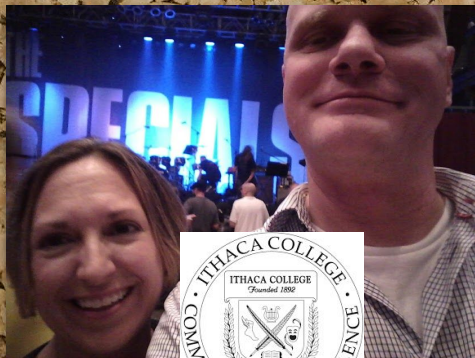
My boyfriend Jason



My foster fur-babies



Eric Raecke | Band Director



Band Director at Rocky Run MS 25+ years (I've kind of lost count)

Music Department Chair



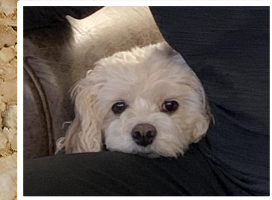
Bye Bye Old Band Room!



Rose Cho – Civics



- 4th year at RRMS
- 15+ years in FCPS
- born in Korea; raised in CA
- B.A. History - UCLA
- M.A. History - GMU
- love to travel with my family & cuddle with my doggie



Andrew Dilworth - Civics

- 5th Year at Rocky Run (as a teacher)
All Civics
- Went to Rocky Run (as a student)!
- UVA Alum, and huge basketball fan
- Love to be outside
Hiking, walking the dog, disc golf



Courtney Sewell- Civics & Economics

@mssewelltweets

My sister and I in NYC



6th year
@ Rocky

Currently
obsessed
w/ plants!



Are you
registered
to vote??

Love
Traveling

Certified
Yoga
Teacher

Certificate in
Online Learning
Technologies from
Mason

VETERAN
Staff

Auggie



Chiang Mai,
Thailand



JMU

DOUBLE DUKE!!!!

Esther Bae - School Counselor



6th year in the county
AND RRMS



Grew up in FCPS (GBE,
Lanier, FHS)



Grad of Mary
Washington Univ.
(B.A. in English)



George Washington
Univ. (Masters in
School Counseling)



Kobe is a papillon
and 10 years young!

Levi is almost 5
and Leo turned
1 over the
summer.



Suzanne Landon / ESOL Teacher:

This will be my 3rd year at Rocky Run!

I LOVE teaching middle school. RRMS is the best!



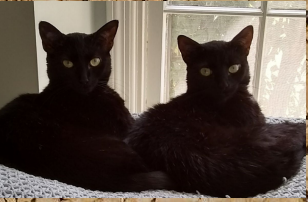
B.A. History
B.A. Anthropology

M.A. History

Teacher training



I have a husband, two kids, and two cats.



I enjoy hiking, swimming, and going for bike rides.



Ellen Cheung / Math Teacher:



This will be my 13th yr
at RRMS.
Studied Mechanical
Engineering.
Have 2 daughters and
a 17yo parakeet.



SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING
& APPLIED SCIENCE

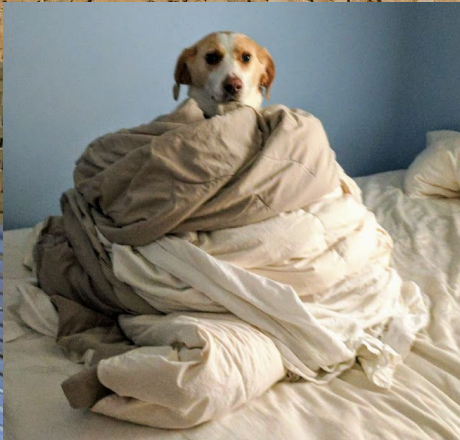


Janet Bartling--English 7 Teacher

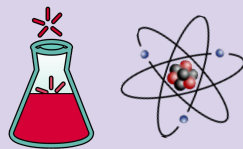
Share your
story with
me.

20+ years
teaching

I love DC
Sports
teams--yes,
all of them



Michelle Mussen | Science 8 teacher



★ Starting my fifth year at Rocky - 11th in FCPS, and 16th year of teaching!



Omar

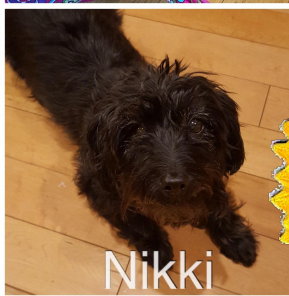


David

Chief treat-giver and ear scratcher to four spoiled pets.



Betty



Nikki



Married to Ken for 19 years. He is a teacher at MVHS.



Mom to Nicholas, 16
Joanna, 14
Luke, 12

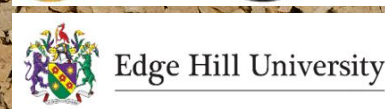


Gardening
Knitting
Cooking
Reading

Luke Williams - Science Department Chair

 @MrWilliamsRRMS

- 
- 
- 5th year teaching Science at Rocky Run MS
 - Previously taught Computer Science, Middle School Science, and Information Technology at middle and high school level in England and Germany
 - Originally from the U.K.
 - Spend most of my time with my wife Amanda and our two children Ara (4) and Kira (1).



Erik Hayes/ Math, Special Education Dept.

FROM: LOS ANGELES



Ultimate Frisbee
Gardening
Reading
Travel

Lived in
Oita, Japan, 8yrs




KNOXVILLE, TN, 8 YEARS



**VETERAN
Staff**

Pat Larsen: Health and Physical Educator

HPE Department



Studied at Adelphi
University: MA
Exercise Science/Human
Performance:
BS Health and Physical
Education

Studied at Nassau
Community College:
AA/Liberal Arts

- HPE Educator at Rocky Run for 7 years
- HPE Educator at Liberty Middle for 8 years
- HPE Educator at Cooper Middle for 6 years
- Exercise Physiologist at NSUH for 10 years



LOVE CHALLENGES, BE INTRIGUED
BY MISTAKES, ENJOY EFFORT
AND KEEP ON LEARNING.

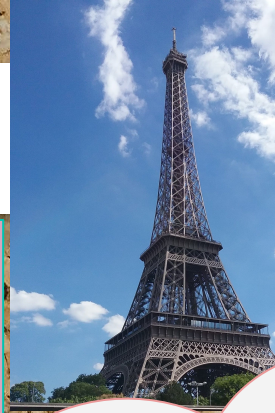
CAROL DWECK



Mejroda Ura / French Teacher, SFS



Mrs. Ura, Madame, in French, is married to Ridvan for 10 years, and has a 2 year old little boy, named Adrian. They love spending time in family and being outside. Of course, they are all crazy about the world of soccer :)



- Starting my 10th year with FCPS
- 8 years at RRMS
- Love teaching languages, and inspiring students to know more about other cultures and civilizations.
- B.A. French Language and Literature, University of Tirana, Albania
- M.A. Second Language Acquisition, UQÀM, Montreal, Canada
- Languages spoken: Albanian, French, Italian, Spanish.



Jeannine Magwire / English 8 Teacher

Love of Learning

Teaching

Family

Positive & Optimistic

Grew up in FCPS and attended

- GBW
- Poplar Tree
- RRMS
- Chantilly HS

Puzzles Reading Coloring

- Graduated from GMU
- Taught in Atlanta, GA for 10 years
- Been teaching in FCPS for a total of 7 years

Bruno

VETERAN Staff

"You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view ... Until you climb inside of his skin and walk around in it." ~To Kill A Mockingbird

Laura Robertson / Math Teacher

- FCPS grad: Fox Mill ES, Franklin MS(!), Oakton HS
- 5 years teaching in Charlotte, NC
- 16 years teaching at Fairfax Villa ES
- 4th year at Rocky Run!



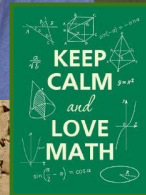
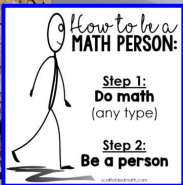
books & movies

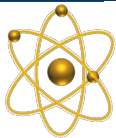
games & puzzles

history & genealogy

I enjoy...
doing Math with awesome kids!

fun with friends & family





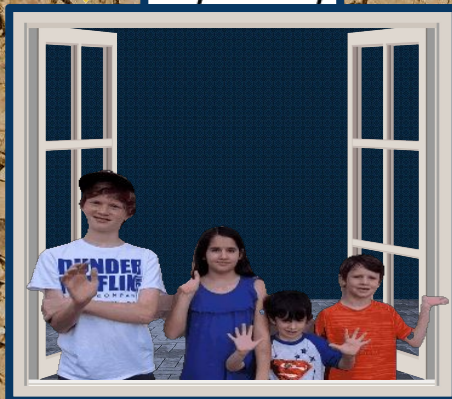
Aminda Davis / Science 8



@MsDavisRRMS



My Family

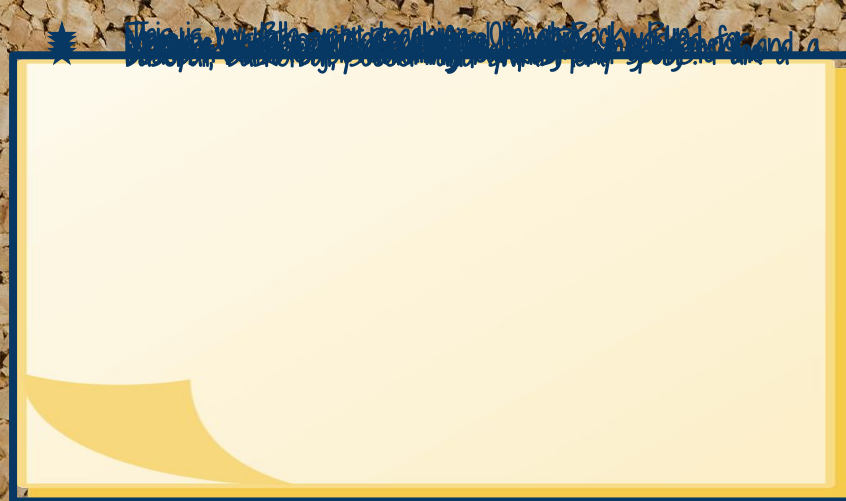
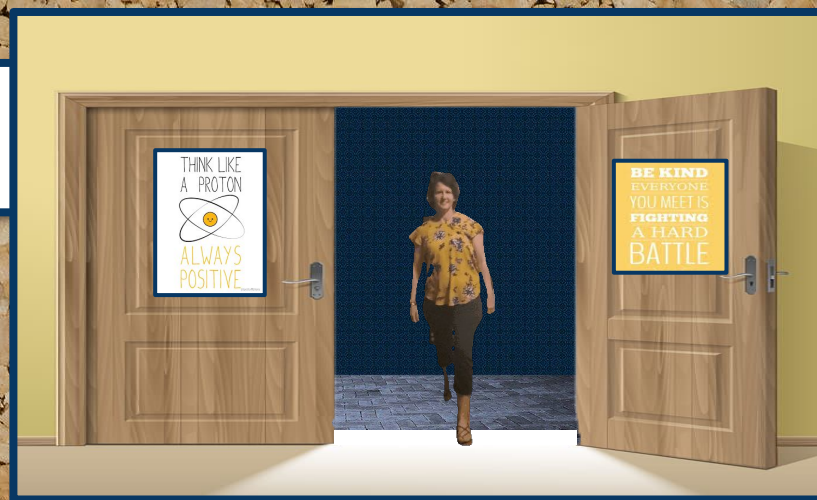


Husband: Derek
Kids: William 13,
Emily 9, Matthew 6
Andrew 4



Aminda Davis

1. Kindness
2. Fairness
3. Humility





Carol Chrzanowski | Finance Technician

- Bachelor of Science - West Virginia University
 - FCPS Graduate - Lake Braddock Secondary School
-
- 7 years with Rocky Run Middle School
 - 8 years with Payroll Management-Accounting

LOVE ALL
DC & WVU
SPORTS
TEAMS

Husband, Christopher an
engineer
Daughter, Skylar a 4th grade
teacher at Mantua ES



Rocky Run MS



Together We...



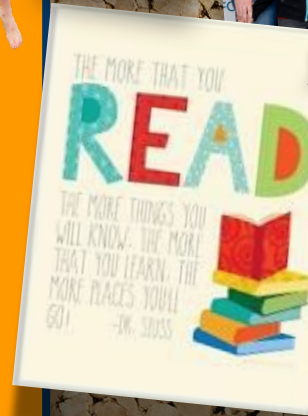
Anna Slevin/ English and Reading Teacher



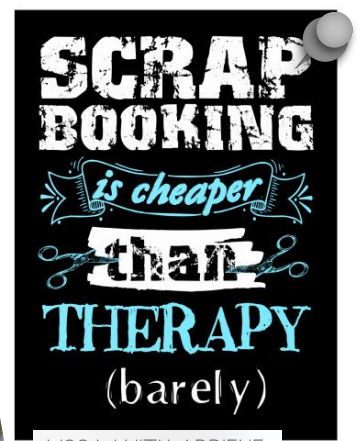
@agslevin



- Started in FCPS in 2002
- English Teacher at Rocky Run for 7 years
- Reading Resource/CT support for 7 years
- My twins go to Poplar Tree ES and will be at Rocky Run in 4 years!
- I love living and working in this community
- Every child can learn!
- My husband is also in education and works in Loudoun County.



Love Animals
Eat Plants



Julie Tiss/ English 8, Reading, Special Education

Photo:



Mrs. Tiss's Top 10 Sources of Joy

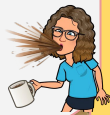
- Hot, strong coffee early in the morning
- Dark chocolate (the darker the better)
- Music that makes me want to sing or dance
- Stories I hear, read, or watch that make me laugh, cry or cheer
- Meals shared with family and friends, especially when stories are shared too
- Photo slideshows set to music
- Listening to my students' stories
- Helping young people find their strengths, passions, confidence and their voice
- Being a mom at home and a teacher at Rocky Run Middle School, all in the same day
- The first day of school

8 years in DC

6 years preschool

+ 11 years in FCPS
(3 at RRMS)

25 years of
teaching



Sandra Meador/ Resource Teacher & MTSS School Lead

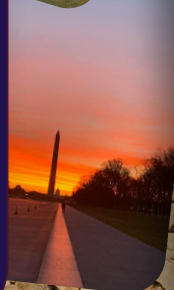
YEAR
2
Staff

- Colombian native
- Youngest of 13 siblings
- B.A. in Psychology from Universidad Santo Tomas in Bogota
- Worked as a Human Resources Analyst before moving to U.S.

- Run to see beautiful sunsets and sunrises
- Love to workout and more so with my son, Sam
- Admire Daniel's (oldest son) decision to serve as a marine
- Love my cats, Patch and Ash
- Enjoy solitude and the thrill of a good challenge

- Have lived in U.S. for 22+ years, only in VA
- Married (to Roy) and have two sons (Daniel, 20, and Sam, 19)
- Found my passion for education 15 years ago

- Mostly my experience has been in elementary schools
- Have worked as an I.A., classroom teacher, reading teacher, math teacher, and coach



2011



2019

KATY SPEIR - CIVICS AND ECONOMICS

MY DAUGHTER IS A
SOPHOMORE AT CHS AND
IS IN THE SHOW CHOIR

MY SCHOOLS



LONGWOOD
LANGERS

UCCS

University of Colorado
Colorado Springs



THIS IS MY
- 20TH YEAR
TEACHING
- 12TH YEAR IN FCPS
- 6TH YEAR AT RRMS



I LOVE...



Reggie



Barb Barnhart/Special Education-English 7



I ♥ NY

- 20 + years teaching SPED
- 1st year at Rocky Run MS
- Masters Degree from College of St. Rose
- Bachelors from SUNY Buffalo
- Originally from NY
- Love to travel, read, exercise, play with my dog, Remi.

Buffalo State
State University of New York



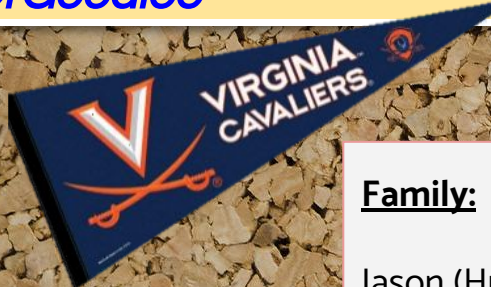
Remi



STRANGER
THINGS



Amy Goodloe / Principal:
@DrGoodloe



Rocky Run MS



Family:

Jason (Husband)
Cameron (12th at CHS)
Emileigh (10th at Flint Hill)
Taylor (6th at Oak Hill ES)

Labs: Barley (2) Rye (10 mo.)

Wahoo for life!

BS / MT - SpED, Elem Ed ('96)
Ed.D. - Ed. Leadership ('03)

25th year in
FCPS
5th at RRMS



Lisa Kaplan/ English 7 and Yearbook

- ❑ Mom to Tanner and Eden
- ❑ Educator in FCPS - 30 years
- ❑ Student of FCPS
- ❑ Virginia Tech Graduate
- ❑ Virginia Tech Mom
- ❑ Mom Huck and Finn (dogs)
- ❑ Loves the beach, reading, spending time with friends
- ❑ Excited for the new school year



Virtual teaching



Yearbook Deliveries



Tanner & Eden



Huck



Finn

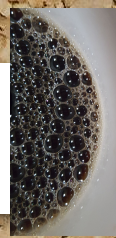
VETERAN
Staff

Renee Martin/ Science 7:

Teaching

- I've taught for 14 years
- I've taught 6th, 7th and 8th grade science covering Earth, Life Science and Physical Science
- I've taught in Virginia and California

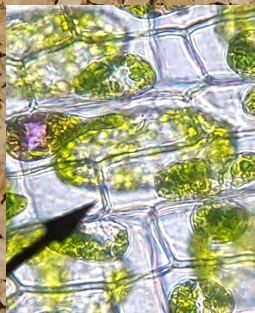
I love to bake and cook!



I am a beginner open water swimmer.



Nature fascinates me!

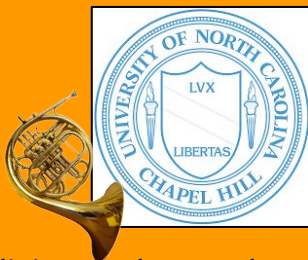




Ken Harman / 7th Grade Science

A Brief History:

- I grew up in Michigan.
- I have 2 Bachelor degrees from UNC.
 - Music & Biology
- I have a Doctorate in Chiropractic Medicine and owned my own practice before discovering my true passion for teaching (btw, my kids are to blame).
- I got my teaching license from Shenandoah University.
- My most important life lessons have come from my love of science fiction and fantasy, especially Star Trek!



This is my 5th year teaching at Rocky Run!



Dan Hill / Asst. Band Director:

- Starting my 9th year as a Rocky Run Teacher

- Also teaches band at Greenbriar West

- Went to Rocky Run as a student myself. Mr. Raecke was my band teacher!

I love all things food (eating, cooking, shows/videos, etc.), the spicier the better! This year I'm growing my own cayenne peppers, they're almost ready...



Molly Little/Math Teacher



-I am originally from Illinois but have lived various places and moved here from Denver.

-I live in Leesburg and have three children, two dogs, and a kitten.

-I love being outdoors, especially the beach, reading, and cooking. I love going to restaurants too, normally.

Stephen Matthie / Orchestra:



I'm originally from Jamaica and moved to the states when I was 5.

- 16th year of teaching, 15th at Rocky Run
- I'm a neighborhood kid. I went to Brookfield ES, Rocky Run MS, and Chantilly HS
- Went to James Madison University
- I live in Fairfax with my brother, Marc, who is also an FCPS teacher at Chantilly HS teaching HPE
- I have a small private studio with 4 violin students I run out of my home
- I play violin with the Tysons McLean Orchestra and I'm a member of a string quartet with other string teachers called BASH!



Greg Bricker / World Language (Español):

- Originally from Philadelphia
- Studied at Penn State
- Lived and taught English in Madrid, Spain
- Loves traveling and spending time with family and friends



Starting year 3 at
Rocky Run



Madrid, España



Bogotá, Colombia



Ashleigh Kim / Business and Information Technology:



Grew up in Fairfax Co schools. Graduated from UVA.

Teacher at RRMS since 2005. Taught Mathematics previously.

Lover of family, food, nature, AND OTHER PEOPLE'S DOGS. =)

Looking forward to a new year with new adventures!

We'll need a BIG cup of coffee for this one!

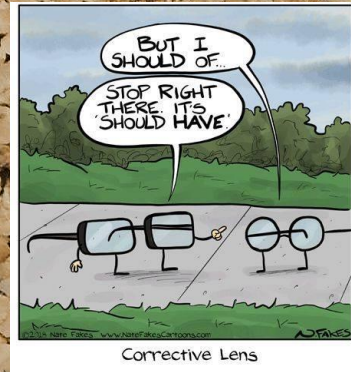


Jason Linck / English 8



3rd Year @ Rocky

- ❑ Native of upstate New York
- ❑ Teaching for 21 years
- ❑ Taught ES for many years



AJ Ries / Administrative Assistant II

- This will be my 3rd year at Rocky Run
- Previously an AA in an ES
- Started in FCPS as a Parent Liaison.
- Love to travel but not without my family
- Born in South Korea and moved to VA when I was 8.



Chocolate is my kryptonite!



VETERAN
Staff

Corinne Wetzel / English 7 Teacher

"In the end,
we'll all
become
stories."
Margaret
Atwood



At school--

- 13th Year at Rocky Run
- English 7 Team Leader
- AAP Endorsement
- Spelling Bee Sponsor

At home--

- Travel, writing, reading, genealogy, outdoor cooking
- Foreign service kid and spouse--look for the flags to see where I've lived

I can't wait to learn about YOU!

VETERAN
Staff



Patsy



"Love challenges, be intrigued by mistakes, enjoy effort and keep on learning." --Carol Dweck



Our son lives in Japan
& teaches English

Our daughter lives in Seattle
& teaches 3rd Grade



Linda Ledbetter / ART



- FCPS Teacher 30 years
 - Rocky Run 21 Years
 - Mother of 3 Sons, 1 Daughter
- EDUCATION**

- B.F.A. Fontbonne University
- M.A.T. Webster University
- M.Div. Faith Bible College

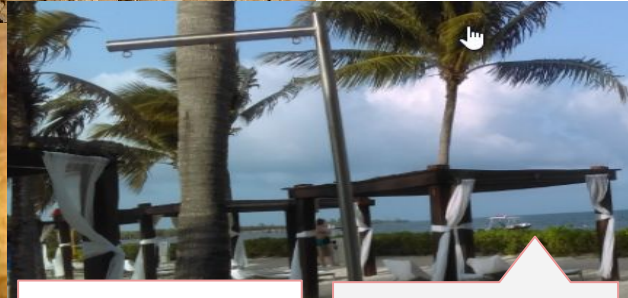


My oldest son's graduation.
Ph.D. Physics



My first mural was painted at Rocky Run. It was painted while standing on a ladder. The wings of the eagle were painted using a brush attached to a long pole.

My youngest son a musician.



My middle son an
ACTOR



I Enjoy:

- > Family Time
- > World Travels
- > Design
- > Crafts
- > Sculpture
- > Singing
- > Poetry
- > Teaching



Author

My Daughter

Freelance
Writer

Tom DeRusso - Assistant Principal

- 4th Year at RRMS
- From New York
- Love spending time with my wife and 3 kids
- Huge NY Giants fan
- Hobbies: riding my bike, golf, basketball, and playing guitar



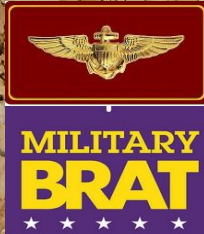
JEANNE COSTELLO US HISTORY 7

♥ GARDENING, WRITING, FAMILY TIME, LEARNING, PRAYING
♥ I'VE LIVED IN TX, NC, HI, CA, MD, VA, WV, CT, & FL
♥ I'VE TRAVELED TO THESE COUNTRIES:



WHAT AM
I FILLING
MY CUP
WITH?

Digital
Discernment




Start
being BRAVE
about
everything.
St. Catherine of Siena



MY KIDS
COLIN,
PATRICK +
ANNA
WENT TO
RRMS!!

David Maniscalco, Special Education

- 3rd year at Rocky Run
- 11th year of teaching
- Previously taught Elementary School (Poplar Tree) and Secondary (UK)
- Hobbies: playing music (pedal steel guitar, dobro), crosswords, cooking, travel, bicycling
- Grew up in Alexandria, Virginia



KAREN TEES FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE



★This is my 10th year at Rocky Run! (13th year at FCPS)
I LOVE TEACHING FACS!

*I'm a graduate of Messiah University
Personally...

*My family, my , my husband Steve, my children, Will, Allie, Daniel and Connor and 5 grandbabies!

*our little dachshund

*Gardening

*Cooking

*Playing Pickleball

*spending time at the beach and traveling!

VETERAN
Staff

**I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING
ALL MY STUDENTS AND LEARNING
ABOUT YOU!**



Helen Bowden | Special Education Teacher, Math 7



- 3rd year teaching at Rocky Run MS
- University of VA - BA
- George Mason - Masters
- Army Brat - 10 schools in 12 years



I love to spend time with my family and friends

I like watching UVA and Washington, DC sports, attending concerts, and going to the beach!



Ileana Rodriguez/ 8th Grade Science Teacher



VETERAN
Staff

I love the wonders
Science and
especially teaching
this amazing subject
to middle schoolers



-This is my 30th
year in FCPS,
my 28th at
RRMS.

-I was born in
Cuba and came
to the US when
I was 7 yrs. old.

-I love spending
time with my
family, travelling
and exploring new
places and
cultures.

I have 3
grown kids &
a dog!



Loraine Ryan / US History

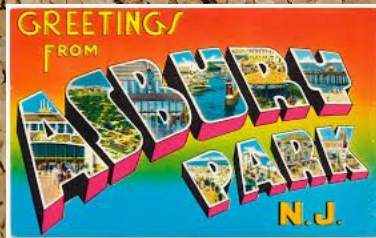
"Do not look forward in fear to the changes in life, rather look to them with full hope as they arise!"

About Me:

- I'm a Jersey Girl who grew up at the beach (and I loved it!!)
- A piece of my heart will always be in Rome! I go there at least once a day (in my head)
- I have been abundantly blessed by my husband and children
- My family and my faith mean everything to me
- I love to cook, bake and eat

Work:

- 15th year teaching
- 5th at RRMS
- I have taught in New Jersey, Virginia, Rome, Italy and Dublin, Ireland
- I was a Vatican Tour Guide for 3 years
- I love what I do!!!



Susan Rowland - Special Education Teacher - History 7

Married to Mr. R. 42 years
Mother of 2 sons and Winston
Grandma of 5 awesome grandkids
Love to bird watch in my
backyard, hike in the woods, read,
and be with my family

RRMS - 28 years
Herndon MS - 1 year
New Jersey - 5 years
Indiana - 4 years
A whopping total of 38
years teaching in
Special Education



Karl Gussow: Business Information Technology & School Test Coordinator

- 23rd year teaching
- 17th year at FCPS
- 11th year at Rocky Run
- 6 years at Fairfax High
- 4 years at Chiefland High (FL)
- 2 years at Maricopa High (AZ)
- Hometown: Nanuet, NY

Education is the passport
to the future, for tomorrow
belongs to those who
prepare for it today.

Malcolm X

EVERYDAYPOWER



OHIO
UNIVERSITY

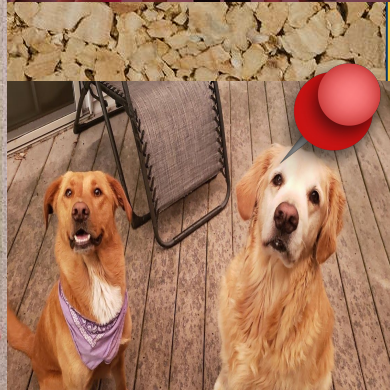
- Married to Anne for 21 years.
- Seth - 2nd year at University of Maryland
- Natalie - 7th grade (yes, I am a middle school parent as well)



Jamie Sawatzky: History 7



Oh The Places You've Been! Happy 40th!



- 21st year at Rocky Run
- Married 23 years, 2 kids, 2 dogs, long commute to RR (well, not this year)
- From NH, NJ, PA, and VA
- Fan of E-A-G-L-E-S and Red Sox
- LOVE to travel. Been to 47 states, 20ish countries

24th year teaching,
15th at Rocky Run



Laurie Simmons, English 7

B.A. William and Mary, M.Ed Virginia Tech, AAP Certification

Sarah Kate is a junior at Virginia Tech studying animal sciences.. Alex graduated from UVA last spring and is working for Capital One as a business analyst.



Mark Weader / Special Education



- Second year at Rocky Run
- Married 15 years, 3 sons (Ben 13, Tyler 11, and Dylan 8) and a dog, Ezra.
- Head Wrestling Coach at Chantilly High School
- Big fan of Philadelphia sports

Lisa Marik / Family and Consumer Science



- I live in Reston with my husband, Kevin, and our crazy dog, Darwin
- 20+ years teaching, both English and FACS
- LOVE to travel (and hope to again someday soon...)
- Taught in California, Venezuela, New Mexico
- Part time at RRMS and part time adjunct faculty at George Mason
- LOVE teaching FACS and can't wait to meet my students this year!



Rachel Sweeney / Reading Intervention & English 8



- *7th year at RRMS
- *22nd year in FCPS
- *RRMS Equity Lead
- *Battle of the Books Coach

- *B.A. from Duke University
- *M.Ed. from GMU
- *Currently a doctoral candidate at UVA in Educational Leadership
- *Working on dissertation research at Glasgow MS

- *Married to Barry for 24 years; we live in Reston
- *Proud mom to twin college freshmen!
- *Mom to my furry BFF, Gracie
- *Adjunct Professor at NOVA (Loudoun Campus)



Gracie



Jordana

Sean

I love to read, travel and indulge in my new-found Netflix addiction (teen rom-coms, anyone?)

I am originally from New York and am a lifelong NY Giants fan!



Kristen Lovely / Math Teacher



This is my 17th year teaching

I taught at Fairfax High School before coming to Rocky Run in 2013



The beach is my favorite place. I enjoy running and staying active. I love iced coffee & my favorite food is lobster.



I have 3 wonderful kids
Cooper (5)
Lucas (3)
Jade (1 on August 24th)
Jake (husband)

I graduated from GMU
for both my
undergraduate and
graduate degree

April C. Williams / English 8



I have been with FCPS since 2009
20 years of teaching experience
Also taught in NC, KS, OK.
Middle Grades English Education,
Fayetteville State University
B.A. in Liberal Arts, Western
Michigan University
Married 33 yrs, retired Army
spouse, we have three daughters
all college graduates!



VETERAN
Staff

My birthday is Feb. 29th, I
turned 14 leap years this year!

I love helping students realize their full potential!

Jennifer Kudlacik/ Instructional Asst.



My sons
and
godson



I was born in
London

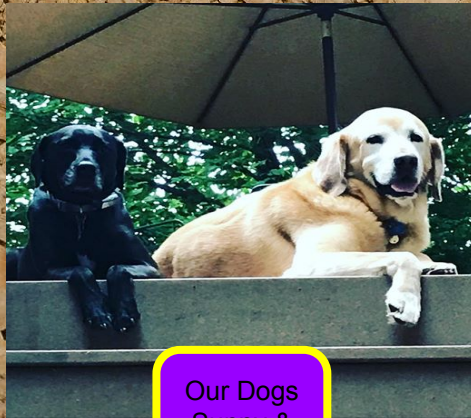
My
Family



I enjoy hiking, cooking,
reading & traveling



6th
Year
with
FCPS



Our Dogs
Sunny &
Star



Heather Shirey / Speech Language Pathologist



JAMES MADISON
UNIVERSITY



I am a
Steelers
fan!

I am originally from the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. I am married to my husband, Jesse, and we have a 15 year old Beagi. I enjoy traveling, reading and spending time with family and friends.



Julie Nation / 8th grade science special education teacher

I am from the Midwest
(Indiana and Illinois). I love to
hike, backpack, and travel.
This is my 9th year of
teaching in FCPS. I am
a fan of the Indy Colts!

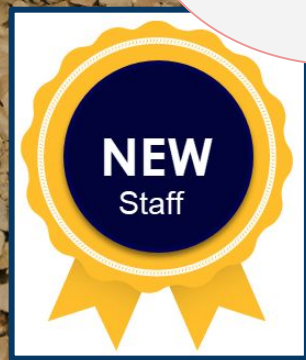


Photo:



Name / Position or Department: Robyn Jones
Safety & Security Assistant

- 6th year at The Rock
- Morning Traffic controller at the Stringfellow entrance
- Mother of Twins
- Retired Law Enforcement
- Mantra **"Just keep moving forward"**



Asmita Jadhav/ Special Education Department:

- 8 years in FCPS
- 6 at Rocky Run
- I got my masters degree in science
- Graduated from Shivaji University, India

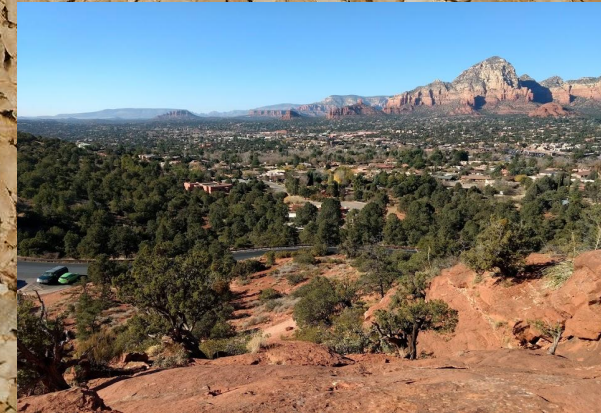


- I enjoy spending time with my family, gardening, travelling, and hiking
- I've been married to my husband for 20 years and have two children



Yvette Wilde - TSSpec

- Rocky Run for 12 years
- In FCPS for 21 years
- Originally from NY
- Mother of 2 sons and one fur baby
- LOVE to bake and be outside!



Melanie Roller- Math Teacher



- I have a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics and a Master's degree in Education
- I have been teaching for 27 years
- The past 17 years have been at Rocky Run
- I have also taught in N.Y and Los Angeles
-
- I have been Rocky Run's Math Counts Coach for 17 years



- I was born and raised in NY.
- My children were raised here and graduated from FCPS.
- My daughter is starting medical school in Israel this semester
- My son is attending UCLA grad school

Harlan Mathers-Science 8 Teacher



- 25 years teaching
 - 3 states
 - Pennsylvania
 - Maryland
 - Virginia
- 17 years at Rocky Run
 - Subjects taught
 - Math
 - 7th
 - 7th Honors
 - 8th
 - Computer Solutions
 - 7th Science (All Levels)
 - 8th Science (All Levels)

Interests

- Reading
- Gardening
- Riding my kick scooter and bike
- Spending time with family
- Cooking

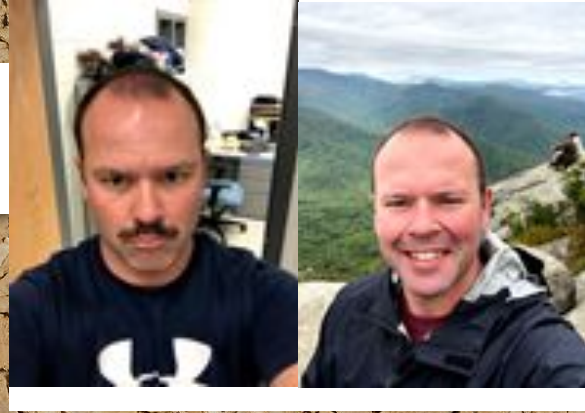


EDINBORO UNIVERSITY
of PENNSYLVANIA

David Quinn / Health and PE teacher



- 10th year teaching at RRMS
- University of College Dublin and George Mason University graduate. Degrees in Sport Management and Health and Health and Physical education
- Born and raised in Ireland
- Love sports and being active
- Father to two wonderful kids
- I will be teaching virtually and monitoring two kids doing virtual learning, can't wait!!



Debbie Woodson- Instructional Assistant and Special Education Office

- Married 25 years
- Daughter Caroline (Junior at VCU studying psychology and theatre)
- Born in Michigan
- Grew up in Miami, Florida
- Second year at RRMS
- 4 years at OHS
- 6th year with FCPS
- Started career in Human Resources
- Stay at Home Mom 16 years
- I enjoy spending time with family, traveling, reading, and live music
- 1 year old basset hound (Otis Henry)



Mohammad Zishhan/ School Counselor

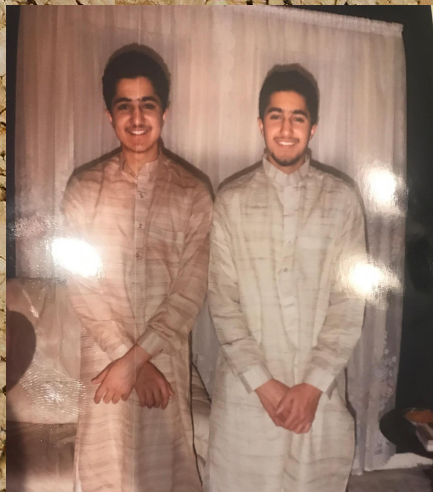
School Counselor at Rocky Run for 1 year

Counselor at Middle Schools for 10 years between FCPS and Arlington Public Schools



My kids
are pets!

I went through FCPS, K-12!
Graduated from UVA for my BA/BS
degrees!
Got my Mastors in Counseling from MU!



ZACK MONDRES

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION
AND
MEDIA STUDIES



My Pups
getting ready
for distance
learning



YEAH, I CAN FLOAT.



I HAVE LIVED IN CENTREVILLE VIRGINIA
MY WHOLE LIFE. IM A HUGE CAPS FAN, AND
I LIKE TO MAKE MY CLASSES AS FUN AS
POSSIBLE.

