

Angela is originally from Peru, Illinois. She will teach Kindergarten at Jefferson School this year. This ISU grad spends her spare time running, reading, traveling, spending time with family and her fiance, Matt.



Angela Mattioda



Smith School will welcome Kim Moore this year in the second grade classroom. She is an EIU grad who likes to work in her yard tending her vegetables. She and her husband, Billie, reside in Pekin with their two children, Brandon and Kayla.



Stephanie returns to Smith this year in their first grade position. This ISU grad lives in East Peoria with her husband, Jim. She enjoys reading, scrapbooking and playing with her Golden Retriever, Lily.



Stephanie Nygaard



We welcome Megan her from her hometown of Princeville. She graduated from ISU and will be teaching Kindergarten at Willow School this year. She likes to spend time with family, shop, hang out with friends and be outside with her two nephews!

Megan Rice

A BIG District 108 welcome to our new Principal at Willow School!! Lisa comes to us from Princeton, Illinois. She especially enjoys time with her family - husband, David and daughters Grace and Autumn, and new foster son Keyon! Ask to see her pictures!!



Lisa Van Natta



Edison will be the new home to Lisa Walenda. She went to school at WIU and NIU. This Elmhurst native enjoys spending time with her family and loves to cook! She and her husband, David, live in Mackinaw.

Lisa Walenda

Stacey will divide her time between the Washington and Wilson campuses as their new Literacy Leader. This Pekinite loves to read and spend time with her family. She is an ISU graduate.



Stacey Whitney



Janice is the new special education teacher at Broadmoor Junior High. This Morton native now lives in Tremont. A NIU graduate, she enjoys reading, movies, and spending time with her family and her friend, Scott.

Janice Wireman

WELCOME CLASS OF 2006!!

PEKIN PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT 108

When you see a new staff member, be sure to welcome them to District 108!

Jenny is originally from Elgin but currently lives in Metamora with her husband Lance. Jenny is a Bradley grad who enjoys hiking, biking, skiing, reading and camping. She will be joining the staff at Broadmoor teaching science.



Jenny Abel



Tracy is a Pekin native who graduated from ISU. She enjoys spending time with her husband, Dajer, and children Elijah and Chabelli. They like to travel and go to the movies. You will find Tracy teaching special education at Broadmoor Junior High.

Tracy Acra

Jennifer comes to the Washington School special education department from her hometown of Havana. She attended Western Illinois University. She enjoys scrapbooking and cycling and time with her husband Chad and daughter Caileigh, who is 4.



Jennifer Alexander



Jefferson School will be the new home for Shelly, who is from Rialto, California. She studied at Bradley University. She stays busy with her hubby, Edward, and children Brittni, Zach, Carter and Josh. Her spare time is spent with cake decorating and gardening.

Shelly Bastean

Sunset Hills School is happy to welcome Erin to their 3rd grade classroom. Erin joined 108 last year as an ISU Intern from McHenry, Illinois. She enjoys reading, shopping and spending time at home with family and her boyfriend, Dustin.



Erin Biederer



Crystal is a Galesburg native, graduating from Bradley University. She will be teaching Math this year at Broadmoor School. Her special interests include movies, sports and reading.



Andi is another of our ISU Interns. This native Pekinite will be teaching First Grade at Smith School. She enjoys reading and special time with her husband, Leland and their sons Alec (6) and Brady (4).



Andi Cashman



ISU Intern, Michelle Daniels, will be teaching at Washington School this year in the 5th grade classroom. Her extra-curricular activities include running, reading, playing the piano, cooking, shopping, and spending time with family and friends.

Michelle Daniels



Give a warm welcome to Carolyn Diekhoff! Carolyn will be teaching special education at Washington School. You may often find this native Pekinite and hubby Gil, on the soccer field with the Cole, Connor & Gabby!

Carolynn Diekhoff

Mariann is a graduate of WIU and a Moline, Illinois native. She will be teaching mathematics at Broadmoor Junior High this year. When she isn't teaching she likes to read and watch sports - **GO CUBS!!**



Mariann Elliott



Rick will join us as the new Social Studies teacher at Edison this year. He attended Virginia Polytech Institute as well as Troy State University. His family includes Pamela and Reid. Rick enjoys sports, origami, photography and reading.

Rick Emerson

An avid reader who enjoys boating and cooking describes Lori Faichney. She is a native Pekinite who lives here with her husband, Scott, and two children - Nicholas and Kerstin. Lori will teach Social Studies at Broadmoor.



Lori Faichney



Broadmoor School will also welcome Carrie Felme, who is an ISU grad. Her interests include reading, spending time with family & friends, and outdoor activities such as camping and fishing. Carrie will teach Language Arts.

Carrie Felme

Janessa is an ISU grad from Pekin, Illinois! She played traveling fastpitch softball for 10 years for the Amateur Softball Association. This year she will be teaching Kindergarten at Smith School. Wedding bells will ring in July 2006 for Janessa and her fiancee Jonathan.



Janessa Gulley



Kelly comes to District 108 from Princeton. A graduate of NIU, she will be teaching Speech this year at Starke School. She has two children, Ryne and Baylee, and enjoys scrapbooking, sewing, reading, gardening, and just staying active!

Kelly Hanna

Karla is a former employee rejoining the 108 ranks! She will teach special education at Smith School. Karla enjoys sewing, exercising, stamping & scrapbooking, shopping, tennis and playing with her granddaughter, Hannah!



Karla Hippen

Stephanie will be teaching math at Broadmoor this year. This big fan of the TV Reality Show, Survivor, is a graduate of Western Illinois University. She currently lives in Pekin.



Stephanie Jackson



Starke School will enjoy having Roseanne in their building this year in the special education department. She is an EIU grad living in Peoria. She enjoys being a Stampin'Up demonstrator, scrapbooking, making cards and being with fiance, Marty.

Roseanne Lehner

We welcome back Sarah as a 5th grade teacher at Washington this year. Sarah is an ISU grad. She and hubby, Derek, enjoy time with family and friends... as well as shopping and reading.



Sarah Leith



Debbie is returning to PFEC this year as a Pre-Kindergarten teacher. She and her husband, Dexter, live in Deer Creek and enjoy decorating their new home as well as spending time with their children, Morgan and Ashley.

Debbie Litwiller