

Who's Who ...and Who's New at Ogden Avenue School for 2009 - 2010

Welcome to a new school year as our partner in your child's education. If you are a new family to Ogden, a heartfelt welcome to our school family. We had many staff weddings this summer so note name changes and we also did some room moving this year so also take note of new locations! I am very pleased and proud to introduce the 2009-2010 members of our Ogden Avenue Staff.

Kindergarten

Miss Rebecca Wegner (room 117) is returning as our kindergarten teacher.

First Grade

Our first grade team is Mrs. Meghan Jackson (room 108), Mrs. Melissa Mangan (room 103), Miss Cara Marcocchio (room 111), Mrs. Ronda Howley (room 107) and Mrs. Pam Hennebry (room 118). [Yes, we have five first grades and Yes, this is Pam Hennebry, former Early Literacy teacher]

Grade Two

Mrs. Cindy Adams (room 206), Mrs. Katie Oplawski -Sedlacek(room 102),Mrs. Lauren Vaupell (formerly Wilkin) (room 101), Mrs. Tara Ali (room 207), and Mrs. Cheryl Napoli (room 105).

Grade Three

Mrs. Mary May (room 203), Mrs. Jenny Kaminski (room 204) and Mrs. Erika Wierdak (formerly Wachowski) (room 208) joined by new staff member, Miss Tara Markby (room 205). Miss Markby was a long term substitute for us in grade 4 last year and is a graduate of Illinois State University.

Grade Four

Mrs. Susan Robinson (room 302), Mrs. Tricia Wiegand (room 302), Miss Cara Spitzner (room 202) and Mrs. MJ Schremser (formerly Meyer) (room 201).

Grade Five

Mrs. Diane Robinson (room 304), Ms. Sally Maas (room 303), Miss Angela Reda (room 306) and Mrs. Kelly Parratore (formerly Hall) (room 305).

Grade Six

Mrs. Jane Schroeder (room 307), Miss Jeanine McNichols (room 308), Miss Shannon Hlavaty (room 216) and Mrs. Betsy Kunz (formerly Giglio) (room 217).

Support Staff and Specialists

Our returning Resource Teachers are Ms. Julie Crnkovich (lead resource teacher), Mrs. Kathy Elwood, Mrs. Kathy Quilty, Mrs. Karen Thimmig, Mrs. Terese Tota, Mrs. Tara Reynolds and Mrs. Liane Rigitano. Mrs. Sherry Penrod returns as an Intervention teacher. We will have a new Early Literacy teacher to introduce by the time school begins.

Mrs. Stacey Carroll (formerly Hansen) returns as our full time Speech Pathologist. Mrs. Bridget McGrath and Ms. Colleen Slattery return as our part time Speech Pathologists.

Mrs. Wendy Toth returns as our Social Worker, joined by our 09-10 Social Work intern, Jackie Kunz,

from Aurora University. Miss Kelly Adamik will continue to be our school Psychologist.

Mrs. Aly Stimac returns as our full time Inclusion Facilitator with new staff member ,Kristy Whipple, assisting her as a part time Inclusion Facilitator. Paraeducators returning to support students in the classroom are Mrs. Wendy Kral, Mrs. Merrilee Gregory, Mrs. Josie Adolfo, Mrs. Janet Hill, Mrs. Gail Lampariello, Mrs. Lynn Pitlik, Mrs. Barb Riccio, Mrs. Jane Uckerman, Mrs. Debby Moore, Mrs. Kathy Wesa, Miss Laura Lewandowski, Mrs. Laura Zuppa,, Miss Meghan O'Malley, and Mrs. Kristy Whipple.

Mrs. Debbie LeGare (formerly Johnson), returns as our Music teacher. Mr. Bob Hruby and Mr. Chris Zak are returning as our PE teachers and Mrs. Andrea Horyn continues as our Art teacher. Mrs. Joan Arnold returns as our multi talented specials teacher teaching Art, Music and PE to various sections of students.

Mrs. Kennette Bledsoe will continue as our LRC (Library) Director and Mrs. Mary Decker as our LRC Assistant. Our Technology Aide this year will be Mr. Rich Fear, who joined us last spring.

Mrs. Jaime Connors continues as Instruction Facilitator and Mrs. Patsy Steinmeyer continues as our Enrichment Teacher. Matt Huizinga joins the Enrichment team as a shared grade 6 Math teacher with our other elementary buildings. Matt was the Enrichment teacher at Cossitt last year.

Joining us this year teaching Spanish is Mrs. Jessica Adams (Senora Adams) who hails from Olivet Nazarene University and heading a K-4 Spanish program at a charter school in Texas.

We are fortunate to continue to have Mrs. Lorraine Campea as our full time School Secretary, Mrs. Polly Peterson as our Part Time Secretary and Mrs. Pam Annicella, our Student Support Secretary (health office) as part of our Ogden team.

Mrs. Terese Tota will serve as Administrative Assistant. Mr. Hruby continues as our Dining Room Coordinator. Our BASE program continues to be headed up by Mrs. Nancy Mihalik.

Andy Demonbreun has left us as our Chief Custodian for Ogden. Wojtek Guzik, one of our evening custodians will be our day time person until the Chief Custodian position is filled. All our custodians have worked hard all summer to have us sparkling clean for the start of the year!

Please feel free to contact any of us if you have questions related to a grade level, a program, or a specific need of your child. All staff members have voice mail and e-mail accessibility. The e-mail address for anyone in the district is their full last name, the first two letters of their first name, followed by @dist102.k12.il.us (as an example my e-mail is: boudreaucy@dist102.k12.il.us) Due to teaching schedules, please understand that both phone and e-mail messages may not be returned until the next school day. If there is any emergency or time sensitive information, please call the school office at 708-482-2480.

We are all looking forward to the new school year and we are glad to have you as our parent partners, as we work together for each child to have a positive academic, social and emotional school year.

Welcome Back! Cynthia A. Boudreau, Ph.D. - Principal