

Welcome Ridgeview Rockstars!

Our Ridgeview Team is excited to start a new school year and can't wait to meet you and your family at our open house on Thursday, August 19th. You will find your teacher placement information on the label above. Enjoy finding and reading about your teacher below:



I would like to welcome you and your child to my second grade class. I would like to share a little about myself. I started my teaching career with Sparta as a student teacher in 1997, and in 1998 I was hired by the district. I taught

special education for seven years, and the rest of my teaching has been in second grade. I feel very fortunate to be a part of this district. My family and I live in Cedar Springs and we have two girls. Taylor turned 15 in June, and Karly is 13 years old. My husband and I have been married for 18 years. I love shopping, and watching our girls play sports. I am very excited about the upcoming school year. Second grade is a huge developmental year socially and academically. My greatest goal is seeing this progress in my students. I strongly feel that parents and teachers are a team.

Educationally,
Camille Harrison



Hi, my name is Mrs. Jones and I am so excited to be your 2nd grade teacher! I have been teaching for 16 years and this will be my 9th year teaching second grade. I have been married to Mr. Jones for 25 years and I have two

children. I have one daughter that is 19 years old and will be a sophomore in college. I have one son and he will be a sophomore at Sparta High School. Our kids' sports and activities keep us busy. I love teaching at Ridgeview because we have the best kids and families that we get to work with. The whole Ridgeview family makes Ridgeview a special place. A fun fact about me is that I am the youngest in a family of seven kids!



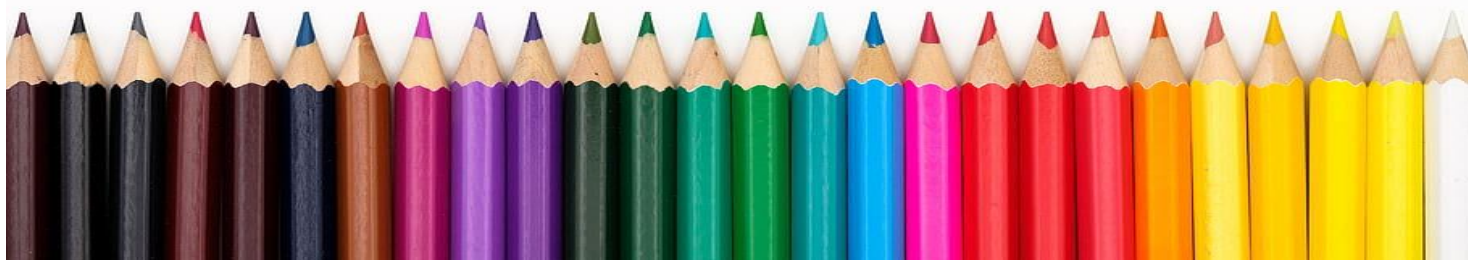
Hi, my name is Jill Klein and this is my fourth year teaching at Ridgeview! I love teaching here because the staff genuinely cares about their students by building positive relationships and providing students with a great

education. We firmly believe in teamwork and strive to do our best for students. A fun fact about me is that I'm a huge animal lover! I enjoy riding my horse in competitions and taking my dog for walks.



I have been teaching for 35 years, 30 of those in second grade. I love this grade because students still love coming to school and they are usually happy. Before that, I taught 5th grade for 5 years here in Sparta. I am married and

have 3 children. We are an active family and love to go fishing, golfing, skiing and doing things together. I look forward to having a fun and educational year. I will take good care of your child. I believe in being compassionate and understanding, but firm in the classroom. See you when school starts! Mrs. Lambert



Hello, my name is Amy Smith and this will be my 18th year teaching in the Sparta Area School District. I have taught every grade in our building, two years ago I made the leap from Kindergarten to 2nd grade and it was a great

experience, until March! I think I can honestly say 2nd grade really is the best. One of my favorite things about 2nd grade is the connections made within the classroom between students as well as myself. I love Ridgeview for the relationships and the genuine love for children I see each and every day.

A little about myself... My husband Casey and I live in Rockford with our 13-year-old daughter, Addison and two dogs, Charlie and Tofu. We enjoy camping and traveling with family and friends and we are always up for a new adventure. I'm looking forward to sharing personal stories with you throughout the year and hearing all about your wonderful families and adventures. I'm very excited to be back at school and to have the opportunity to work with your children this year. I know it will be different, but I can promise you I will make our time together a loving and joyful experience.



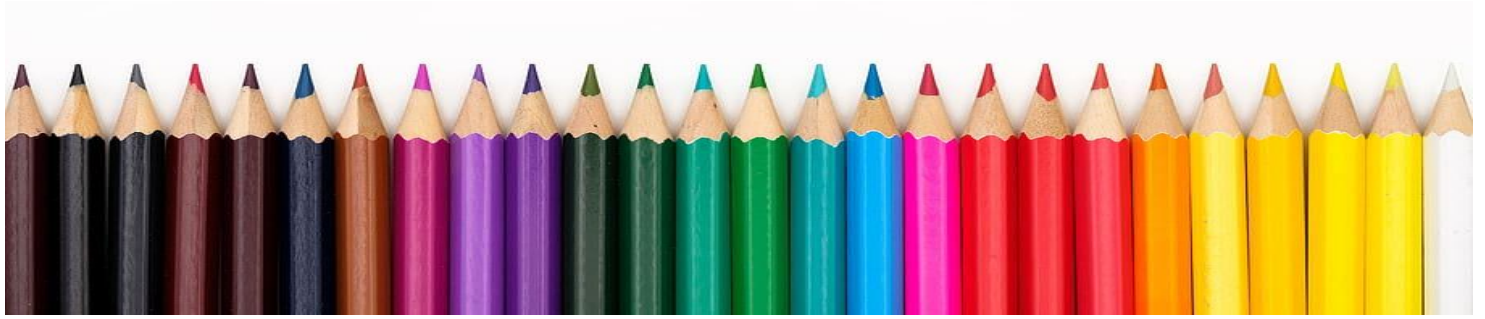
Hi! My name is Mrs. Budz. This will be my 4th year teaching at Sparta. I like teaching at Ridgeview Elementary because the school is one big family and provides opportunities for all students a chance to grow! I also

love interacting with so many students on a day to day basis! It's a blessing to teach in the building I once attended and I am so looking forward to the 21-22 school year!



Hello! My name is Sheila VanderLeest. I've been teaching for over 20 years, and this is my 11th year in second grade. My husband's name is Greg and I have four children Colton, Kendall, Kolbe, and Kaiya. I have

raised my children here in Sparta and have loved that each of them were once students at Ridgeview too. I love that Ridgeview is a fun, and loving place for our students. I also love to hike, camp, and be outdoors!



Second Grade: What will you learn this year?

**Suggested Second Grade Supply List
2021-22 School Year**

***Please label with student's name. Items will not be shared amongst students.**

Second Grade

- ☐ 2 boxes of #2 Ticonderoga soft lead pencils only (pre-sharpened preferred)
- ☐ 1 package of pencil cap erasers, pink
- ☐ 3 Elmer's washable glue stick
- ☐ 1 box of crayola crayons 24 count or more
- ☐ 1 box of Crayola washable markers
- ☐ 1 box of colored pencils
- ☐ 2 expo dry erase markers (**black**)
- ☐ 1 pencil bag or box
- ☐ 1 pair of scissors 5"
- ☐ 1 spiral notebook wide ruled 70 pages
- ☐ Pocket folders, 1 red, 1 green, 1 yellow, 1 blue, **no prongs please**
- ☐ 1 container of Clorox disinfectant wipes
- ☐ 2 boxes of tissues
- ☐ 1 roll of paper towel
- ☐ Gallon size and quart, or sandwich size ziplock bags
- ☐ 1 box of a classroom snack