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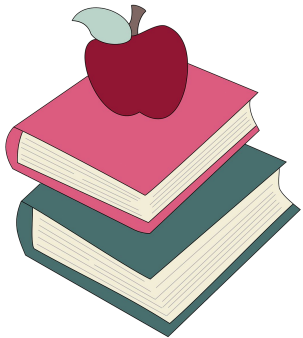
Baker Middle School introduces:

Dr. Louise Worthington



Fun Fact:

I'm a Grandma!
I have a beautiful
one year old
grand-baby!



My Favorites

Food: Salmon
Movie: Star Wars
Book: A Tree Grows in Brooklyn
Color: Pink
Hobby: Visiting my grand-baby!
Team: Baker Bulldog sports, Cougars Football, Penn State Football & Maryland Football
Season: Summer - I love going to the beach and pool!

My Life

Hi! My name is Dr. Louise Worthington. I've been the Principal of Baker Middle School for 18 years. I love the Damascus Community! I have over 30 years experience as a Teacher and Administrator. I've taught students from pre-school to adults in three states. I am also an Adjunct Professor at a local college. I teach graduate courses in Education.

My Education

I earned my doctoral degree in Educational Leadership from Bowie State University in 2014.



Baker Middle School introduces:

David H. Moyler

The Basics

This is my first year at Baker Middle School. This is my 26th year in education.

Fun Fact:

Played in the Fiesta Bowl and beat Alabama

My Favorites

Food: Seafood

Movie: The Matrix Movies

Book: Calvin and Hobbes

Color: Blue

Hobby: Walking

Team: Louisville Fighting Cardinals

Show: Looney Tunes

Season: Spring

My Life

I was born and raised in Dayton, Ohio. I attended and played football at the University of Louisville. I am married to a wonderful wife and have 2 daughters

My Education

Paul Dunbar High School

University of Louisville

B.A - Psychology

National Louis University

M.EdL - Educational Administration

Baker Middle School introduces:

Melanie Pique

The Basics

Hi! My name is Ms. Pique (pronounced Pike). This is my 10th year at Baker as an Assistant Principal. I have been with MCPS since 1999 in various roles, in multiple schools as well as central office.

Fun Fact:

I have a small farm with 11 horses, 4 mini horses, 2 donkeys, 10 goats, 6 sheep, 4 dogs, and 4 kitties. We are expecting baby goats, sheep, horses, puppies, and donkeys this Spring



My Favorites

Food: Pasta and Seafood

Movie: Any musical

Book: The Giving Tree

Color: Purple

Hobby: Horseback riding

Team: Washington Capitals

Show: Any law/crime drama

Season: Autumn

My Life

I am MCPS born and raised. I grew up in Wheaton, MD and graduated from Wheaton HS in 1994.

I attended UMCP for both my undergraduate and graduate degrees.

I have 6 kids - Scott, Alex, Matt, Sydney, Peyton and Belle.

My Education

Wheaton HS
Class of '94
BS in Special Ed
from UMCP
M.Ed in
Adolescent Dev.
from UMCP
M.Ed in
Administration
from Hood
College

Baker Middle School introduces:

Tricia Abbott

The Basics

Hi! My name is Tricia. This is my 18th year at Baker and 24th year in the County. I teach PE and health.

Fun Fact:

I played field hockey at University of MD where I won a National Championship



My Favorites

- Food:** chips and salsa
- Movie:** Steel Magnolias
- Book:** Ugly Love
- Color:** blue
- Hobby:** watching my kids play sports/reading
- Team:** Steelers because that's what the family likes
- Show:** Survivor
- Season:** Summer

My Life

I just had my 22 year wedding anniversary. I have 20 year old twin girls that attend Towson University where they play lacrosse. I also have a 16 year old son who is a sophomore in high school.

My Education

I went to University of Maryland, College Park.

Baker Middle School Introduces:

Sofia Alvarado



Fun Fact

Jellyfish are my favorite animals. They have been in existence for at least 500 million yrs (or more) making them the oldest multi-organ animal group

My Favorites

Food: Fried Chicken & Waffles, Pupusas, Korean Food, and Sweets!

Movie(s): Studio Ghibli Movies

Book: *Rayuela* by Julio Cortázar

Color: Yellow

Hobbies: Embroidery, Browsing

Bookshops & Latin Dancing

Likes: Visiting Art Museums

Show: I am currently watching

Anotherself

Season: Autumn



The Basics

¡Hola! My name is Ms. Alvarado. This is my second year at Baker MS. I previously taught high school at Friends School of Baltimore.

My Life

I was born & grew up in San Salvador, El Salvador. I've lived in Montgomery County for fifteen years. I've had the opportunity to travel through various Spanish-speaking countries. I have a passion for literature & the arts. I love teaching Spanish, & my mission is to help my students enjoy the language!

My Education

- University of Maryland, Bachelor's in Spanish Literatures & Cultures.
- Magruder HS Alumni

Baker Middle School introduces:

Paul Ajamian



Fun Fact:

I love teaching...especially math!

The Basics

Hi! My name is Paul Ajamian. This is my first year teaching at Baker Middle School.

My Favorites

Food: Falafel
Movie: Avengers Endgame
Book: The Giving Tree
Color: Blue
Hobby: Grilling & Cooking
Team: Washington Commanders
Show: Survivor
Season: Fall

My Life

I was born in Beirut, Lebanon. I am married, have three children, two grandchildren, and one dog. I love spending time with them and they keep me smiling!

My Education

I received my Bachelor's Degree from the University of Maryland. I earned a Master's Degree in Administration and Supervision from Johns Hopkins University.



GINA BEDDICK

Fun Fact:

My ancestor, George Soule, came to North America on the Mayflower...as an indentured servant-working as a teacher.



The Basics

Hi! My name is Gina Beddick and I teach 8th grade US History & 6th grade World Studies. This is my 18th year teaching in MCPS and my 7th year at Baker.

My Education

I graduated from Salisbury University with a Bachelors in History/Secondary Education and then got Masters in Curriculum & Instruction from Hood College.

My Life

I grew up in Damascus and attended Baker and DHS. I played softball and threw shot put on the indoor track team. I live in Walkersville with my husband (also a teacher) and 7 year old daughter. We have a golden retriever, a cat, and other critters. We love spending time in Ocean City.



My Favorites

- Food:** Crabs
- Movie:** The Princess Bride
- Book:** Wuthering Heights
- Color:** Coral
- Hobby:** Hiking, exercise, dog training
- Team:** Washington FB Team
- Show:** The Sopranos
- Season:** Summer



Baker Middle School introduces:

Karen Bliven

Fun Facts:

- I am a makeup artist.
- My parents taught in my middle & high school.
- My husband is also a teacher and a fire lieutenant.
- I am a Girl Scout leader.
- I love the rodeo.

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The Basics

Hi! My name is Karen Bliven .
This is my 22nd year at Baker Middle School and MCPS. I also taught one year in Virginia Beach.

My Life



My Favorites

Food: Grilled Chicken Salad

Movie: Legally Blonde

Book: Too many!

Color: Blue

Hobby: Reading, Makeup, Working Out

Team: Walkersville, Team Maryland

Season: Summer!



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My Education



I am a product of MCPS and graduated from Quince Orchard High School. I got my Bachelor of Science degree in psychology and middle school education from James Madison University. I have my Masters of Education in Human Development from The University of Maryland.

Baker Middle School introduces:

Ms. Bright



The Basics

Hi! My name is Yaseman Bright. This is my first year at Baker, but this is my 17th year in MCPS. I've been a high school teacher for the last 15 years, but am excited to return to middle school!

Fun Fact:

I'm terrible with dates. My husband and I BOTH forgot our wedding anniversary the first two years in a row we were married.

My Favorites

Food: pizza!
Movie: *Boondock Saints*
Book: *Weetzie Bat*
Color: hot pink
Hobby: hiking & reading
Team: Terps
Show: *The Daily Show with Jon Stewart* was the best!
Season: summer

My Life

I grew up in Montgomery County and still live here. My husband and I are expecting our first child this year and we couldn't be more excited. I've wanted to be a teacher as far back as I can remember and I can't imagine ever doing anything else!

My Education

I went to University of Maryland, College Park for undergrad (double major in English and Secondary English Education), and got my Master's in Administration at Hood University, but don't worry, I'll never go into admin; I'm a teacher for life!

Baker Middle School introduces:

Lindsey Buffum

The Basics

Hi! My name is Lindsey Buffum. This is year 9 as a School Counselor. I was also a MCPS security guard for 5 years.

Fun Fact:

I attended Baker Middle School and Damascus High School. I now work at Baker and my husband is a teacher at DHS.



My Favorites

- Food:** Seafood
- Movie:** Any young adult movie that I can talk about with my students :)
- Book:** Anything by Janet Evanovich and Jodi Picoult
- Hobby:** Playing with Paige and hanging out with friends
- Team:** All MD teams!!!!
- Show:** Greys Anatomy and Survivor

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UNIVERSITY**

WHERE LEADERS LOOK *forward*

My Life

I grew up in Damascus (down the street from Mr. Sprankle and Mrs. Chandler). I have a husband and a 6 year old daughter. I live right near Downtown Frederick and love heading to Carroll Creek for a walk and dinner.



My Education

I have a degree in Criminal Justice from Monmouth University, where I played college basketball. I have my Masters in School Counseling from Johns Hopkins University.





Mrs. Chandler



The Basics

Hi! My name is Ashley Chandler. I have been teaching at Baker for 13 years. Previously I taught at Kennedy HS for 2 years.

Fun Fact:

I played basketball in college. My best friend is Mrs. Buffum. I am down to play anything, at anytime.

My Favorites

Food: MD crabs, Pizza

Movie: Shawshank Redemption, Mean Girls

Book: Leaving time, Jodi Piccoult

Color: Pink

Hobby: Adult sports: soccer, flag football, dodgeball

Team: Orioles, MD men's basketball, USA Women's soccer

Show: Survivor, Bachelor
Season: Summer duh

My Life

I grew up in Damascus and attended Woodfield ES and Baker MS. My parents still live in Damascus. I have three children, Quinn age 8, Briggs age 6, and Willa age 1. My wife is a physical therapist, we live in New Market.



My Education

I graduated from Mcdaniel College with B.A. in athletic training and education. I then received my Masters from MCDaniel in curriculum and instruction.

AIR HUGS!



Baker Middle School introduces:

Andrea Ciccarello

The Basics

Hi! My name is Andrea Ciccarello. This is my 23rd year teaching in MCPS. I taught at Farmland Elementary School for 21 years and this is my 2nd year teaching at Baker Middle School.

Fun Facts

I have a twin sister. Also, I love to swim, paddle board, read, and garden.



My Favorites

Food: Pizza w/Prosciutto & Arugula

Movie: The Wizard of Oz

Book Genre: Historic Fiction

Color: Silver

Hobby: Swimming

Team: Pittsburgh Steelers

Show: America's Got Talent

Seasons: Summer & Fall



My Life

I grew up in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I am married to Mr. Nicola Ciccarello and we have a daughter who is studying to become a nurse at Duquesne University. Also, I have a twin sister.



My Education

Undergraduate Degree: Gannon University
Masters Degree: Frostburg University

Baker Middle School introduces:

Mr. Nicola Ciccarello

The Basics

Hi! My name is Nick . This is my 21th year teaching. I have been at Baker all 21 years.

Fun Fact:

Love Fishing and Cooking!



My Favorites

Food: Sushi
Movie: Rocky
Book: Lord of the Flies
Color: Chartreuse
Hobby: Fly Fishing
Team: Juventus
Show: Chopped
Season: Summer



My Life

Washington DC born and raised.

American Italian

Married to an MCPS Teacher

One Daughter...Freshman at Duquesne University in the School of Nursing

My Education

University Of Maryland
Loyola University



Baker Middle School introduces:

Tina Claxton

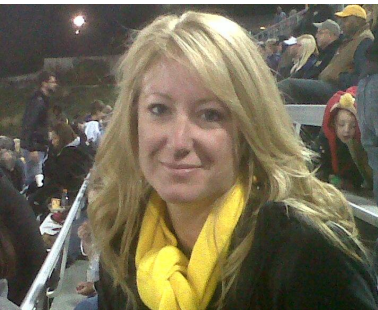
The Basics

Hi! My name Tina Claxton . This is my 32nd year teaching, but my 30th year in MCPS, all at Baker! I have been here so long that some of my colleagues are former students:)

Fun Fact: I write awesome rap songs! I have made up 3 of Baker's school mottos.

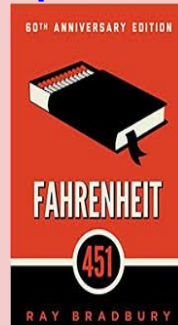


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My Favorites

Food: Crab Stuffed Shrimp
Movie: "It's a Wonderful Life"
Book: Fahrenheit 451.
Color: Yellow
Hobby: Making Jewelry
Team: Washington Capitals
Show: "The Office"
Season: Summer



My Life

I was born and raised in Erie, PA, near Lake Erie. I moved to MD after my husband's five years in the Marine Corps. Married 33 years with 4 children: 28, 25, 22, 19.

My Education

I went to Edinboro University of PA and earned my teaching degree, later attending Loyola for my Masters. I waitressed my way through college at Elby's Restaurant.



Baker Middle School introduces:

Mr. Cole

The Basics

Hi! My name is David Cole. I have been teaching in MCPS for 6 years. I'm excited that this will be my 1st year at Baker. I've been in education for over 25 years.

Fun Fact:

I was switched at birth. Ask me about it.

My Favorites

Food: **Pizza!**



Movie: **LOTR Return of the King**

Book: **This Present Darkness**

Color: **Blue**

Hobby: **Home Theater**



Team: **Steelers**



Show: **F.R.I.E.N.D.S**

Season: **SUMMER!**

My Life

I am married to my wife, Dana. We have a daughter named Maiden. We have a dog named Harper and a cat named Nella. I love sports, traveling, and spending time with my family.



My Education

I earned my Bachelor's of Science at California University of Pennsylvania. I am certified in Special Ed and Math.

Baker Middle School introduces:

Mr. Conner

The Basics

Hi! This is my first year at Baker Middle School and MCPS. I am teaching 6th grade English this year and I am very excited.

Fun Fact: My grandmother's monkey would pick me up by the overalls as a child.

My Favorites

- Food:** Pasta
Movie: *When Harry Met Sally*
Book: *One Hundred Years of Solitude*
Color: Yellow
Hobby: Bass Guitar, Gaming, Running
Show: *Arrested Development*
Season: Spring

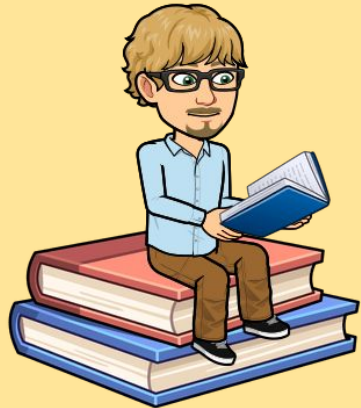
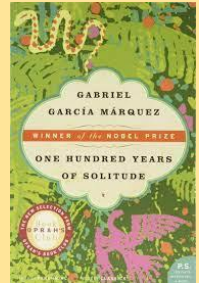


My Life

I was born in Englewood, New Jersey but spent most of my life in Suwanee, Georgia. I moved to Maryland this past summer to be closer to family and take advantage of the opportunities offered by MCPS!

My Education

I received my bachelor's degree in Middle Grades Education with concentrations in English and Social Studies from Georgia College and State University.



Baker Middle School introduces:

Mrs. Cummings

The Basics

Hi! My name is Jen Cummings and I teach 8th grade math. This is my 27th year of teaching and my 16th year at Baker M.S.

Fun Fact:

I enjoy traveling.

My Favorites

- Food:** Mexican
- Movie:** Maverick
- Book:** It Ends With Us
- Color:** Purple
- Hobby:** Reading
- Team:** Washington Football Team & Alabama



**ROLL
TIDE**

My Life

My father was in the Air Force so I grew up in 6 different states -- I went to 4 different elementary schools and 3 different high schools. I graduated from Rockville High School. I have a step-daughter and step-son who live in Virginia, a 14 year old son, and 2 grandchildren (5 years old and 1 year old). I live in Urbana with Mr. Cummings (your favorite 7th grade team leader).

My Education

I graduated from the University of Maryland with a Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Education.



Baker Middle School introduces:

Stewart Cummings

The Basics

Hi! My name is Stewart Cummings and I have been at Baker for 14 years and have been teaching for 29 years.

Fun Fact:

I wanted to be a police officer when I graduated college.

My Favorites

Food: Crabs

Movie: Maverick/Elvis

Color: Red

Hobby: Coaching

Team: Washington

Show: Yellowstone

Season: Fall

My Life

I was born and raised in Montgomery County Maryland. I joined the Coast Guard after high school. I was in the military for 5 years. I have one daughter who is 31, son who is 28, and another son who is 14. I also have two grandkids 5 and 1.

My Education

Was the last graduating class from Robert E. Peary H.S. Graduated from Univ. of Maryland and also got my Masters from Univ. of Maryland



Baker Middle School introduces:

Tina DiMisa

The Basics

Hi! My name is Tina DiMisa. I've been teaching Art at Baker MS, in the same classroom, for 26 years.



My Favorites

Food: Italian
Movie: To Kill A Mockingbird
Book: Where The Sidewalk Ends
Color: Purple
Hobby: Paddle boarding
Team: Washington Capitals
Show: Friends
Season: Fall



My Life:

MoCo born and raised, graduated from Gaithersburg HS. Most of my family lives in the MD and VA area. I have the coolest dachshund on the planet!

Fun Fact:

Rode the world's longest zipline upside down and went skydiving over Ocean City.



My Education

Undergrad Degree from U of MD
Masters Degree from Johns Hopkins

Baker Middle School introduces:

Heydi Dupré

The Basics

Hi! My name is Heydi Dupre. I have been both at MCPS and teaching at Baker for 16 years.

Fun Fact: I am a quote junkie. Anything that speaks truth in a powerful and beautiful way just Gets me!

My Favorites

Food: Guatemalan Food
Movie: Selena
Book: Bible
Color: Black
Hobby: To spend time with family and friends
Team: Ravens
Show: The ID Channel/Shows
Season: Spring/Fall



My Life

I consider myself a Hispanic-American even though I was born in Guatemala. I came to this country at 6 and was raised in a bilingual home in the Silver Spring area. I was the first in my family to graduate college. Lastly, I am a wife to a loving husband and mother of three boys!



My Education

I am a product of MCPS! Class of 2000 from Montgomery Blair HS and graduated from the University of Maryland-College Park.

Go Terps!



Baker Middle School introduces:

Benae Eakins

My Life

I grew up in Pittsburgh. I have an older brother and younger sister. I have three nieces and two nephews. I moved to Montgomery County 20 years ago to start teaching. My husband is an officer in the US Navy. I live in Clarksburg but spend a lot of time with my husband who is stationed at Dam Neck, Virginia Beach.

My Education

I graduated from California University of Pennsylvania with a Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Math Education. I also graduated from McDaniel College with a Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction.

The Basics

Hi! My name is Benae Eakins and I am the Math Resource Teacher and Staff Development Teacher. This is my 20th year of teaching and my 6th year at Baker M.S.

Fun Fact:

I helped set a Guinness World Record in 2013 for the fastest time to arrange the first 25 rows of Pascal's Triangle.



My Favorites

Food: Seafood

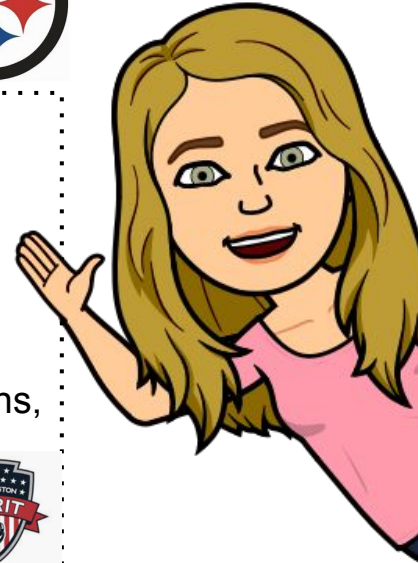
Color: Pink

Hobby: Traveling to Disney

Team: Washington Spirit, Pittsburgh Steelers, Penguins, and Pirates

Show: NCIS

Season: Winter



Baker Middle School introduces:

Mrs. Fell



The Basics

Hi! My name is Valerie Fell. This is my first year at Baker, 6th year in MCPS and 23rd year teaching. I teach instrumental music.

Fun Fact:

I am a morning person which my teenagers don't love. :)



My Favorites

Food: pizza, mexican, dark chocolate, doritos

Movie: Top Gun

Color: blue

Hobby: running, outdoors

Team: Ravens, Nationals, CAPS

Show: Any rescue show

Season: Spring

My Life

I live in Middletown, MD with my husband and our four kids. Three of them are in high school and one is in middle school. We are very busy with sports, music practices, 4H, and dance activities. We also have two crazy dogs at home.

My Education

B.S. in Music Education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Masters Degree in Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment from Walden University

Baker Middle School introduces:

Janet Ferrante

Fun Fact:

I enjoy baking and made over 1,000 cookies for my oldest son's wedding.



My Favorites

Food: Pizza and pierogi
Movie: Sound of Music
Color: Blue
Hobby: Spending time with my grandchildren
Team: Pittsburgh Steelers
Show: Wheel of Fortune
Season: I love them all!!



The Basics

Hi! My name is Janet Ferrante. This is my 5th year as the main office/attendance secretary at Baker MS. This will be my 25th year working for MCPS.

My Life

I am originally from Pennsylvania, but have lived in Maryland since marrying my high school sweetheart 41 years ago. We have four children and we currently five grandchildren with our 4th grandson due in January making him number 6.

My Education:

* Windber Area High School
* University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown

My Life

I have an amazing wife with 2 (soon to be 3) children. My kids are 3 and 1 and they are very funny and hungry! My Wife is an Engineer. We love to play sports, cook food and travel around the world.

Harrison Fisher

The Basics

Hi! This is my 9th year at Baker and my 9th year with MCPS. I teach a variety of Electives

My Education

Business Administration 2012
University of Pittsburgh

Masters in Education
University of Maryland

Fun Fact:

- I proposed to my wife on an airplane!
- I played Water Polo in College
- I used to work on the beach as a lifeguard
- I used to teach Math for 7 years

My Favorites

- Food:** Olives and Cheese
- Movie:** Seven Pounds
- Book:** The Accidental Superpower
- Color:** Dark Green
- Hobby:** Crossfit
- Team:** Ravens
- Show:** Working Moms
- Season:** Fall



Baker Middle School introduces:



Mrs. Friedman

The Basics

Hi! My name is Bridget Friedman. I have been teaching for 18 years at Baker. This is my first year as our school Media Specialist!

My Life

I grew up in Gaithersburg. I am the oldest, but I have a younger brother & sister. I have two identical twin girls named Sophie & Micah. They are both 11 years old! My husband works for Kaiser Permanente. Our family loves hiking, cooking, and Family Game Nights! We also have two cats: Augustus and Violet and they are spoiled!

My Education

I graduated from Frostburg University with a Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in English/Language Arts Education. I also graduated from Hood College with a Master's Degree in Administration and Leadership. I also have a Master's Degree in School Librarianship from McDaniel College..

My Favorites

Food:

I love
chocolate

Movie: *The Greatest Showman*

Book: *Before We Were Yours*

Color: **Purple** (color of royalty)

Hobby: Hiking

Team: Ravens

(my husband is from Baltimore)

Show: *Worst Cooks in America*

Season: Autumn

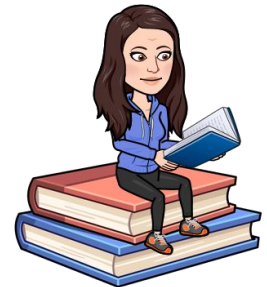


Fun Fact:

I learned how to paddle board this summer!



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Baker Middle School introduces:

Jen Frye

The Basics

Hi! I'm Mrs. Frye! I am the English/Reading/ESOL RT at Baker. I have been teaching at Baker for 7 years

FUN FACT:

I am not even 5 feet tall...so I'm really short

My Favorites

Food: Pasta

Movie: *The Neverending Story*

Book: To Kill a Mockingbird

Color: Green or Blue

Hobby: Reading or Crafting

Team: Philadelphia Eagles

Show: *Yellowstone*

Season: Fall

My Life

I have been a teacher for 20 years in MCPS. I have 3 sons: my twins, Alex & Willie, are in 10th grade and my youngest, Matt, is in 6th grade. I am married to Mr. Frye, who teaches PE at Baker. We live in Frederick County.

AIR HUGS!



My Education

Bachelor's Degree: Elementary Education

Master's Degree: Middle Level Education

Certified to teach English 6-12



Baker Middle School introduces:



Mrs. Gawlinski

The Basics

Hi! My name is Stephanie Gawlinski. This is my 6th year with MCPS and 10th year as a teacher. I am teaching SCB.

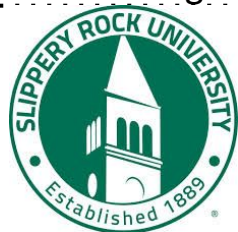
My Favorites

- Food:** Cheese Fries
- Movie:** Alice in Wonderland
- Book:** Harry Potter Series
- Color:** Pink
- Hobby:** Kayaking and Crafting
- Team:** Pittsburgh Penguins
- Season:** Summer!



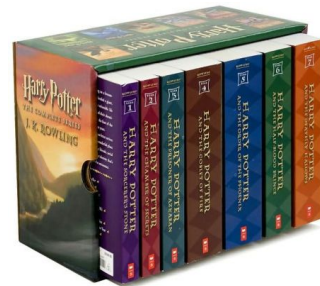
My Life

I grew up in State College Pennsylvania, so I am big Penn State Fan! I have two brothers and one sister. I currently live with my husband and daughter. I have a deep love of all things Disney!



My Education

I went to State College Area High School, Slippery Rock University for my undergrad and Bowling Green State University for my Masters Degree.



Fun Fact:

I have a 3ft tall gnome that lives in my classroom! His name is Gniles because he is a Gnome and he likes Smiles!

Make sure to come visit!

Baker Middle School introduces:

Alison Giardini

The Basics

Hi! My name is Alison Giardini. I am the speech-language pathologist at Baker. This is my 2nd year at Baker & my 8th as an SLP.

My Favorites

- Food:** Chicken Alfredo
- Color:** Blue & Mint Green
- Hobby:** Hiking & shopping
- Teams:** Buffalo Bills & Baltimore Ravens
- Season:** Fall in Western NY

My Life

I was born & raised in Western NY, south of Buffalo in a very small town. I went to school in New York before moving to Virginia after college. My fiancé & I live in Damascus with Zoe, our 2 year old Dutch Shepherd. She keeps us on our toes! We own and run two businesses & enjoy relaxing when we have the chance to!

My Education

State University of New York at Fredonia (SUNY Fredonia)
Bachelors & Masters Degree



Baker Middle School introduces:

Mrs. Hall

The Basics

Hi! My name Kendall Hall, I am a paraeducator supporting 6th grade English this year. I was at Baker in 2019-2020 and am back again this year!

Fun Fact:

I love woodworking and make all sorts of furniture in my spare time.

My Favorites

Food: Steak and crabs

Movie: The Prestige

Book: The Inheritance

Games

Color: Blue

Hobby: Ballet and photography

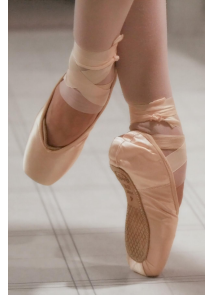
Team: Orioles

Show: Friends

Season: Summer

My Life

I currently live in Frederick, MD with my husband. Once construction is finished on our new house we will be in Keedysville. We often go to our family's cabin in the mountains of WV to enjoy being outside in nature!



My Education

I graduated from Towson in 2015 with my bachelors in Speech Pathology and Audiology and am currently working on my Masters degree to teach secondary mathematics.



Baker Middle School introduces:



The Basics

Hi! My name is Catherine Hanten. This is my 2nd year at Baker! I'm excited to be teaching Reading! I spent 2 years teaching in my home state of FL before moving to MD. I spent 14 years at Gaithersburg MS before opening Hallie Wells MS where I have taught for the last 5 years.

Mrs. Hanten

My Favorites

Food: Steaks and Shellfish

Movie: The Princess Bride

Color: Turquoise

Hobby: Uber driver for my kids

Team:



Season: Spring and Summer



My Life

I grew up in FL with two older brothers, 1 older sister, 2 younger brothers, and 2 younger sister. I live with my biggest supporters, Kaylin 14, Iain 12, and all my animals! We live in a zoo. We have: Fish and Dory our turtles, Guppy our fish, Kylo and Gizmo our puppies!

My Education

University of Central FL - Bachelors degree in Psychology -

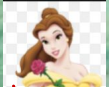
Marymount University - Master's degree in Special Education -

Bowie State - Master's degree in Reading Education

Fun Facts:



I love spending time on the water with my kids. The OCEAN is my preferred place, but a lake will do.



My job in college was working at Disney. You could find me in Epcot with a BEAST!

Baker Middle School introduces:

Norka Hardy



The Basics

Hi! My name is Norka Hardy. I have been teaching at Baker for 5 years. Previously I taught at Northwest HS for 2 years.

Fun Fact:

I have traveled to Costa Rica and Panama with my students



My Favorites

Food: Ceviche

Movie: Forrest Gump

Book: The little prince

Color: Blue

Hobby: Dance

Team: Barcelona FC

Show: The Doctor

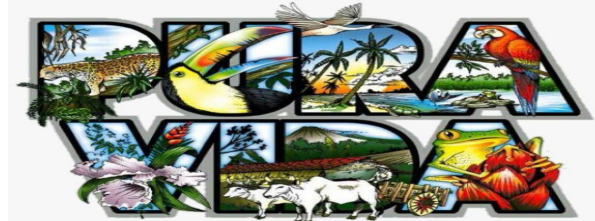
Season: Spring



UNIVERSIDAD
DE SALAMANCA

My Life

I grew up in Peru. I have a son who is going into 9th grade in FCPS. his name is Thiago. We travel every year. I love to teach Spanish and share my culture.



My Education

I earned a bachelor's degree from the Catholic University in Peru and a Master's degree in Spanish Grammar and Culture from Salamanca University.



Baker Middle School introduces:



Lori Headdings

The Basics

Hi! My name is Lori Headdings! I have worked with MCPS for 14 years and been at Baker for 12 of those years.

Fun Fact:

I was a gymnast and a majorette in high school and our mascot was also the Bulldogs!



My Favorites

- Food:** Pizza and Lasagna
- Movie:** Minions (All of them!)
- Book:** Where the Crawdads Sing
- Color:** Blue
- Hobby:** Reading/Crossword Puzzles
- Team:** Penn State Nittany Lions
- Show:** Virgin River
- Season:** Summer!!



My Life

I grew up in Pennsylvania in a small, rural community. I moved to MD in 2007. I am married and have 2 daughters, a son and a stepson. I also have 2 grandsons and love spending time with them!



My Education

Graduated from Bloomsburg University with a BA in Social Work
Graduated from Kutztown University with an M.Ed in School Counseling



Baker Middle School introduces:

Dan Hostler

The Basics

Hi! My name is Dan Hostler and I teach 8th grade math. I have been at Baker for 15 years and this is my 26th year teaching in MCPS.

Fun Fact:

I have been to 45 of the 50 United States

My Favorites

Food: Pizza

Movie: Dances with Wolves

Book: Into the Wild

Color: Red

Hobby: Mountain Biking

Team: Washington Football Team

Show: Breaking Bad

Season: Fall

My Life

I have lived in Maryland all my life. My wife is also a teacher. I have two daughters Grace and Mia.. We also have a dog named Shiloh.

My Education

I graduated from the University of Maryland with an Education Degree.

WASHINGTON
FOOTBALL TEAM, EST. 1932



Baker Middle School introduces:

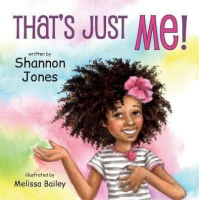
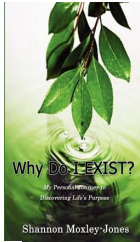
Mrs. Jones

The Basics

Hi! My name is Shannon Jones and this is my first year at Baker and my 6th year as a school counselor. Prior to being a school counselor I was a para-educator..

Fun Fact:

I am an author! I self-published two books.



My Favorites

Food: Shrimp tacos and pancakes

Movie: Black Panther

Book: Born a Crime by Trevor Noah

Color: Purple

Hobby: Dance and

Team: Wizards

Show: The Office/ Shark Tank

Season: Fall

My Life

I am married with two teenage kids 13 and 17. They are both very active in sports: MLS Next soccer and track and field. My daughter is a senior and son is an 8th grader. We live in Germantown and enjoy family time together.

My Education

I received my BA from High Point University. I received a BS:Management from UMUC and school counseling MS from George Washington University. I also am a licensed clinician LCPC.

Baker Middle School introduces:



Ms. Kelley



The Basics

Hi! My name is Ms. Kelley. I have been at Baker 17 years. I have taught 23 years from 3rd grade to college students at UMBC. I teach Read 180 to 6, 7th and 8th graders. I am also an Accelerated and Enriched Instructional Support Teacher At Baker.

My Favorites

Fun Fact:

When my husband was in the Navy, we lived in Rota, Spain for 2 and a half years. My grandmother was an immigrant from Ireland.



Food: Paella
Movie: McFarland , USA
Book: Little Women
Color: Green
Hobby:
Biking,reading,cooking,hiking
Team: The Eagles
Show: This Is Us
Season: Fall



My Life

I live in Mt. Airy, with my husband,three college students, and chocolate lab, Brady.. Two of my kids are attending West Virginia University and one is attending Stevenson University.



My Education

West Chester University, PA, BSED
University of W. Florida, MA.,
Reading Education



Baker Middle School introduces:

Jeff Kenst

The Basics

Hi! My name Jeff Kenst and I teach 7th grade world studies. This is my 22nd year of teaching and 16th year at Baker..

Fun Fact:

I had a Hole-in-One golfing when I was 18

My Favorites

- Food:** Steak
Movie: Remember the Titans
Book: Tuesday's with Morrie
Color: Blue
Hobby: Golfing
Team: Liverpool
Show: Ozark
Season: Fall



My Life

I grew up in Pittsburgh and moved to Maryland 18 years ago. My wife is a second grade teacher in Germantown. I have two children, Ana and Bryce who are both middle school students this year. We also enjoy our 3 year old Boxer, Summer! I also spend my evenings and weekends coaching soccer for FC Frederick.

My Education

I graduated from Muskingum University with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and History.



Baker Middle School introduces:



Mrs. Lechlida

My Favorites

Food: Tacos

Movie: Finding Nemo

Book: The Notebook

Color: Yellow

Hobby: Spending time with family

Team: Nationals

Season: Fall

My Life

I grew up in Rockville on a farmette raising 4-H steers and pigs. I graduated from Magruder High School in 2005. I have two sisters, one older and one younger, making me the middle! I have 7 year old twins, in Second Grade this year! I live in Mt. Airy!



Fun Fact:

I live on a working farm!

The Basics

Hi! My name is Kimberly Lechlida. This will be my third year teaching at Baker but my 13th year in MCPS. I taught 6 years in elementary school, and 7 years in middle!



My Education

I graduated from Towson University with a Bachelor's in Elementary and Special Education, UMUC with a Master's in Instructional Technology and Dominican University with a Lead Teacher Certificate.

Baker Middle School introduces:

Mrs. Liuzzi



The Basics

Hi! My name is Mrs. Liuzzi and I teach Choral and General Music and I am the Resource Teacher for Fine Arts, PE, and World Languages. This is my 22nd year of teaching and my 13th year at Baker M.S.

My Education

I graduated from the University of Delaware with a Bachelors in Music Education. I received a Masters Degree in Music Education from Towson University and a certificate of Administration and Supervision from Hood College.



My Favorites

Food: Sushi
Movie: Armageddon
Book: The Woman in the Window
Color: Teal
Hobby: Exercising
Sport: Swimming
Team: Washington Football Team
Show: NCIS
Season: Summer

My Life

I grew up in Olney, MD where my family has lived since the 1960's. I graduated from Sherwood High School in 1997 and loved being a member of the swim team and the SGA. A family tradition continues to be a 2 week trip to Dewey Beach with the whole family. I currently live in New Market with my husband and two daughters (soon to be 3!).

Fun Fact:

I had the hiccups for a week.

Baker Middle School introduces:

(Mr.) Mike Maddox!

The Basics

Hello! I teach **MUSIC** at Baker MS. It's my first year here, and my 14th year teaching. My classes include general music, guitar, piano, and music technology. I also play sax, drums, sing, and I've directed bands and choirs in previous teaching positions.

My Favorites

Foods: sushi and guacamole
(Not at the same time)

Hobbies: board games, card games, video games, jazz, music production, painting and digital art

Sports: disc golf

Movies: The Incredibles

Shows: Breaking Bad, Barry, Firefly

Podcasts: Strong Songs, Radiolab, This American Life, Wait, Wait!

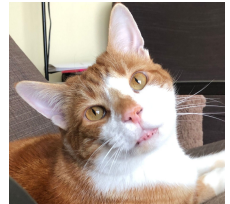
Current Bands: Punch Brothers, Vulfpeck, Cory Wong, Lake Street Dive, Jacob Collier



My Life

Married to another music teacher, and living in Columbia, MD. Our wedding was postponed twice by the pandemic!

We enjoy animals and music and traveling together. We have an orange cat named Mochi.



My Education

K-12 - Howard County Public Schools, MD
Bachelor of Music Education, UMD College Park
Master of Music Education, UMD College Park

Tara Mann

The Basics

Hi! My name is Tara Mann and I teach 6th grade Historical Investigations and Global Humanities. This is my 26th year of teaching and my 6th year at Baker M.S.

Fun Fact:

I have been horseback riding for many years and competed at the Devon Horse Show.

My Favorites

Food: Seafood
Movie: Hidden Figures
Book: Long Walk to Water
Color: Purple
Hobby: Horseback Riding
Team: Eagles
Show: Stranger Things
Season: Spring

My Life

My husband and I live in Frederick, MD with our two Shiba Inus Takeo and Anika. I was born in Chicago, Illinois but grew up in Philadelphia, PA. With that being said I am an **Eagles** fan!

My Education

I graduated from West Chester University of Pennsylvania with a Bachelor's Degrees in History Education. I also graduated from Hood College with a Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction.



Baker Middle School introduces:

Lenny Marino

The Basics

Hi! My name is Lenny. I have been teaching in MCPS for 36 years, this is my 12th year here at Baker MS teaching computer science.

Fun Fact: I joined the US VRC this summer

My Favorites

Food: anything Italian
Movie: Rocky (all of them)
Book: Liberty and Tyranny
Color: purple
Hobby: outdoor sports(fishing, hunting,etc)
Team: Nats/Skins
Show: Criminal Minds
Season: fall

My Life

I have 4 children and 4 grandchildren. Two of my kids are currently in college or studying outside of college. My youngest daughter is studying to be a vet tech and my youngest son is studying to be an EMT. We have 4 pets, two dogs and two cats. In my extra time, I work part time a gym in Mount Airy in the aquatics center. I like to workout, run, bike and swim to stay in shape. We like to travel a bit, so we bought an RV last year and have had fun going on trips this past summer.

My Education

I graduated from an MCPS high school (BCC). Received my Bachelors Degree in Education from the University of Maryland and Graduate Degree from John's Hopkins University.

Baker Middle School introduces:

Tarrick Moore

Fun Fact:

During my 2nd, 3rd and 5th year of teaching I taught Dr. Worthington's children at my first school in MCPS.

The Basics

Hi! My name is Tarrick. I am beginning my 2nd year at Baker. This will be my 25th year teaching students.

My Favorites

- Food:** Barbecue Meals
- Movie:** Ace Ventura Series
- Book:** Everyone's A Coach
- Color:** Blue
- Hobby:** Sports with the Boys
- Team:** Washington Anything
- Show:** CSI
- Season:** Spring

My Life

I am from Washington DC. I have enjoyed my time as a teacher in Montgomery County and have seen so many changes take place since I started my career. I have a wife and three boys that I would do anything for. They are the joys of my life and they make every day exciting.

My Education

I received my Bachelor's Degree from Morgan State University. Then, I earned a Master's Degree in Secondary Mathematics and have since earned an Administration and Supervision Certification.



Baker Middle School introduces:



Stephanie Moxley



The Basics: Hi! My name is Stephanie Moxley. This is my 7th year at Baker, and my 26th with MCPS. Previously, I taught K and 1 in Laytonsville & Germantown.

FAMILY IS EVERYTHING!



My Favorites:

Food: Pizza

Drink: Coffee

Hobby: Softball & baseball tournaments

Team: Ravens

Season: Fall

Pets: Our 3 pups!

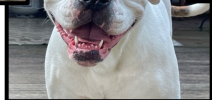
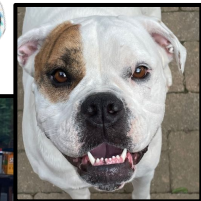


BALTIMORE
RAVENS

My Life: My parents were both originally from Pittsburgh, and 40+ year employees with MCPS (upon retiring, my dad was an Associate Superintendent; my mom was a Staff Development teacher). I was born and raised in Germantown, married my HS sweetheart, Aaron (who teaches at QOHS), and have lived in Middletown for the past 20 years. We have 3 kids – Aubree (20), Wyatt (17), and Hayden (14). Aubree is a junior at James Madison University, where both my husband and I went!



Fun Fact: I love fishing, and spending time on our boat.



My Education: James Madison University – BA in English; minor in Elem. Education. *Certified to teach Secondary English too **Nationally Board Certified

Baker Middle School introduces:

Mrs. Patricia Nichols

The Basics

Hi! My name is Patricia Nichols. This is my 8th year at Baker MS in the SCB program. I have been with MCPS for 9 years now.

Fun Fact:

I love playing indoor soccer!

My Favorites

Food: Waffle House waffles

Movie: Guardians of the Galaxy

Book: The Stand

Color: Green

Hobby: Riding on my motorcycle

Team: Disney

Show: Chicago PD

Season: Fall

My Life

I have a busy life with my Dad coming to live with my husband and 4 children this summer. We have a dachshund named Otis who loves to run and play fetch . I grew up in Frederick, MD.

My Education

I graduated from King's College in Wilkes-Barre, PA. I went to College of Notre Dame in Maryland for certification in Elementary Education. I am certified in both English and Special Education.



Baker Middle School introduces:

Joel Niswander



The Basics

Greetings! My name is Joel Niswander. I've taught at Baker for 15 years.

My Favorites

- Food:** Seafood
- Movie Genre:** Sci Fi Adventure
- Book Genre:** Nonfiction
- Color:** Green
- Hobby:** Hiking/Biking/Guitar
- Team:** The Washington Football Team
- Show:** Star Trek
- Season:** Summer

My Life

My family moved to Damascus, MD in 1969. I attended Damascus Elementary, Baker Middle School, and Sandy Spring Friends High School. I currently live in Damascus with my wife and two adult children.

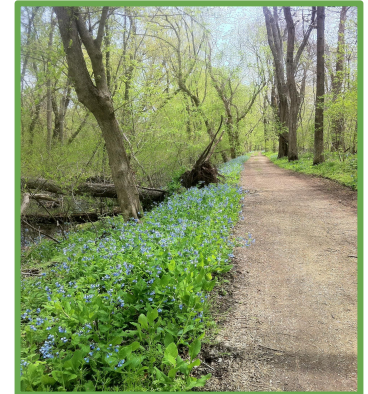
My Education

Sandy Spring Friends - High School
Towson University - Undergraduate Studies
McDaniel College - Graduate Studies



Fun Facts:

I taught 5th grade at Damascus Elementary for six years. Go Dragons!



Baker Middle School introduces:

Tricia Paredes

The Basics

Hi! My name is Tricia Paredes. 21 years ago I started in MCPS at Baker and have been here ever since.

Fun Fact:

We own a Brazilian Jiu Jitsu school in Frederick County



My Favorites

- Food:** Jelly Beans
- Movie:** Top Gun
- Author:** Randy Alcorn
- Color:** Purple
- Sport:** Soccer
- Team:** Washington Commanders
- Drink:** Diet Coke
- Season:** Summer



My Life



I grew up in Montgomery County. I have been married for 19 years and have twin 13 year olds who are going into 7th grade in FCPS and who live to dance!



My Education

High School

Health/PE

ESOL



Baker Middle School introduces:

Mr. John Pekar



Rafting with Students on
Potomac River, 2016

My Favorites

- Food:** Ceviche
- Movie:** The Secret of Roan Inish
- Book:** Any National Geographic Magazine
- Color:** Forest Green
- Hobby:** Hiking/rafting
- Team:** Odyssey
- Show:** Planet Earth
- Season:** Fall/Winter

The Basics

Greetings! My name is Mr. Pekar and I have been teaching at Baker MS for 19 years and in MCPS for 26 years.

My Life

- Raised in the Washington DC area
- 10 Years service in US Army
- Volunteer Firefighter/EMT-B
- 3 Children, 3 Grandchildren, 2 Cats

My Education

- Bachelor's and Master's Degree
- University of Md, College Park
- Certified Firefighter and EMT B
- HAM Radio Operator

Baker Middle School introduces:

Ms. Pamela Pennington

The Basics

Hi! My name is Pam Pennington. I've taught two years of elementary science and 23 years of middle school science...7 years at Baker!

Fun Fact:

I love lake life!

My Favorites

Food: blue crabs!
Movie: The Notebook
Book Genre: Nonfiction
Color: Purple
Hobby: Anything outdoors!
Hiking, Kayaking and Swimming
Team: Philadelphia Eagles
Show: HDTV and Chesapeake Shores
Season: Spring and Fall

My Life

I'm originally from the Pocono Area in PA. I moved to Maryland, 25 years ago to begin my teaching career. I have two grandchildren who are 14 and 11 years old and ALWAYS look forward to spoiling them! I look forward to traveling in the upcoming years.



My Education

I earned my undergraduate degree from Bloomsburg University, PA and my masters degree from Walden University. I'm Nationally Board Certified in MS Science.



Baker Middle School introduces:

Sarah Peters

The Basics

Hi! My name is Sarah. I attended Radford University in Radford, VA. I have taught elementary, Special Education and middle. This will be my 27th year in MCPS and 14th year at Baker.

Fun Fact:

I worked for the CIA in college.

My Favorites

Food: Italian

Movie: Mary Poppins!

Book: The Bible

Color: yellow

Hobby: decorating, cooking

Team: Capitals

Show: anything HGTV/Food Network

Season: Fall

Enjoy: fishing, kayaking, gardening, cooking

My Life

- Grew up in Montgomery County.
- Father worked for the CIA - we lived in Rome, Italy from the time I was 6 months to 3 years old.
- Married my high school sweetheart, Tom.
- Blessed with two kids, Abbey and Mitch.
- Abbey - graduated from UMD, now an architect! She just got married!
- Mitch - SENIOR at WVU... Go Mountaineers!

My Education

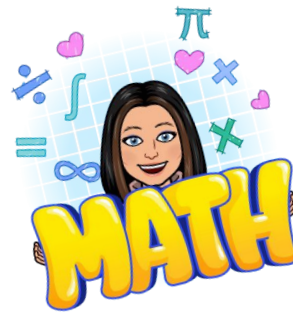
I attended Magruder High School...GO COLONELS!

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Baker Middle School introduces:

Alicia Pressel



The Basics:

This is my 15th year at Baker. I have been teaching for 20 years! This year I am co-teaching Math 6.

My Favorites:

Food: Thai food
Show: "The Mandalorian"
Book: The Curse
Color: Blue
Hobby: Crafting
Season: Fall

My Life:

I grew up in Damascus. I enjoyed playing sports and spending time with my family and friends. I always knew I wanted to be a teacher. I am married and have two children. My daughter is going into 10th grade and my son is going into 6th. We also have 3 goats, 5 chickens and 2 dogs.

My Education:

I earned my BA at Hood College in Special Education. I earned my Master's degree in Reading from Bowie State.

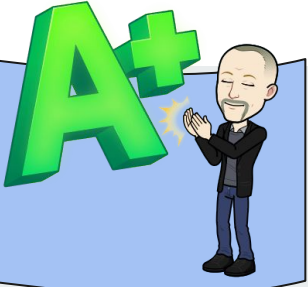
Fun Fact:

I went to Baker MS!



Baker Middle School introduces:

Mr. Rettig



The Basics

Hi! My name is Anthony. I started teaching in Montgomery Country in 1995. I have been at Baker 12+ years!

Fun Fact:

When I was 19 I hot-rodged my 1973 VW Thing and did a road trip to California and back with a good friend. Talk about adventures!

My Favorites

- Food:** Pizza - Endless possibilities
- Movie:** Edge of Tomorrow
- Book:** The Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles
- Color:** Green
- Hobby:** Medieval Combat Reenactment
- Team:** Hornets of Course!
- Show:** Curse of Oak Island
- Season:** Fall

My Life

I am the American born son of Chilean Immigrants. I grew up in Rockville and Graduated Rockville H.S. in 1988. I took a few years off and travelled, worked, and met my "Future" wife. We have 3 kids and 2 barn rescue cats that are barely domesticated. I have travelled to Europe and South America.



My Education

After Graduating in 1988 I took some basic Courses at Montgomery College. I then Studied Education at WVU and Finished at UMD. I now have a MA+30 and have been teaching in MCPS 28 years



Baker Middle School introduces:

Kim Rhodes

The Basics

Hi! My name is Kim Rhodes. I have been at Baker for 5 years. I have been with MCPS for 20 years.

Fun Fact:

I love 70s music!



My Favorites

Food: Pizza, Pasta, Burgers, Cheesecake, veggies, everything really!

Movie: The Notebook

Book: Night

Color: Blue and Purple

Hobby: Cooking and Baking

Team: Washington Football and 6th grade

Show: Friends

Season: All



My Life

I am a mother of two, a daughter and a son. A grandmother of three beautiful granddaughters and just became a grandmother of a handsome baby boy! I was a wife for almost 27 years when I lost my wonderful husband to cancer. I have great friends! I love love love helping our kids!



My Education

I graduated from Glenelg High School in Howard County, MD. I went to Hagerstown Business College in Hagerstown, MD



Baker Middle School introduces:

Mr. Ruocco



The Basics

Hi! My name is Mark Ruocco and I teach Math 6 and 7! This is my 6th year at Baker and 17th year teaching. I've taught in BCPS for 6 years and MCPS for 11 years!

Fun Fact:

I own a 53 year old car!



My Favorites

Food: Pizza



Movie: Rudy

Book: Anything by Jason Reynolds

Color: Blue/Orange

Hobby: Gaming, Driving

Team: NY Mets

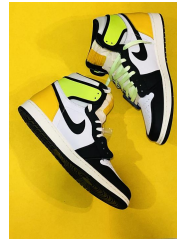
Show: F1 / Drive to Survive

Season: Summer



My Life

I have lived in Connecticut and Maryland. I have a wife Ashley and 2 kids Vincent and Eva. They go to GMS and Laytonsville Elementary! I like collecting cars, license plates, shoes, gaming, watching sports and gardening.



My Education

- North Stratfield School
- Cockeysville Middle School
- Dulaney High School
- University of Maryland (Bachelors)
- Goucher College (Masters)



Baker Middle School introduces:

Mary Slotkowski

The Basics

Hi! My name is Mary Slotkowski. This is my 3rd year at Baker, but my 21st year in MCPS! I was a Spanish teacher before becoming a school counselor.

Fun Fact:

I love languages, culture, and traveling and have been to 18 different countries so far!

My Favorites

Food: Apples, Persian food

Movie: The Sound of Music

Book: One Hundred Years of Solitude

Color: Yellow

Hobby: Knitting, reading, running

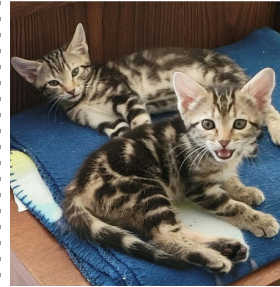
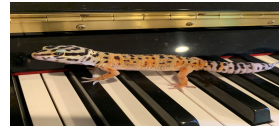
Team: Chicago Cubs

Show: Parks and Recreation

Season: Fall

My Life

I am from Chicago but have lived in MD for 26 years. I have a husband, two sons, three cats, and one leopard gecko!



My Education

I studied English, Spanish, and education at the University of Wisconsin - Madison. I got my masters in counseling at Johns Hopkins University.



Heather Sneddon



My Favorites

Food: Cheeseburgers

Movie: Princess Bride

Book: Could not possibly choose!

Color: Turquoise

Hobby: Reading, Baking, Traveling

Sport: Football and Hockey

Team: University of Maryland

Show: The Office, Letterkenny

Season: FALL!!!!

Music: Country



My Life

I grew up in Rockville, MD. I attended MCPS schools from K - 12, and graduated from Richard Montgomery High School in 1995.

I have a lot of family members who are also teachers in MCPS, including my husband, dad and brother! I have one son who is now a sophomore at Frederick High School.



Fun Fact

So far I have traveled to over 20 countries and I can't wait to visit more!

Turkey, Greece, Scotland, Uruguay, Argentina, South Africa, Bahamas, Italy, Costa Rica, Portugal and many more!

The Basics

Hi! My name is Heather Sneddon. This is my 21st year teaching Social Studies in MCPS, but my first year here at Baker! I'm very excited to be part of the Bulldog community



Baker Middle School introduces:

Mr. Sprankle

The Basics

Hi! My name is Jason Sprankle. This is my 13th year teaching in MCPS and my 7th year at Baker.

Fun Fact:

I went to Woodfield E.S., Baker M.S, and DHS and I won a football state championship as a player and now as a coach at Damascus.



My Favorites

Food: A good burger/Parmesan Crusted Chicken

Movie: Remember the Titans

Color: Orange

Hobby: Sports/Coaching/Time with my 2 sons

Team: Orioles, Capitals, Commanders

Show: Friday Night Lights

Season: Fall

My Life

I am married to my wife Heather, we have 2 sons named Dylan and Ethan. I am also the JV Football Coach at Damascus. I love sports and my favorite teams and spending time with my family.



My Education

Graduated from Salisbury University on the eastern shore of Maryland with a Bachelor's Degree in Math with a concentration in Secondary Ed.

Baker Middle School introduces:

Mrs. Volley

The Basics: Hi, my name is Debbie Volley. I've been at Baker for 19 years and work in Special Ed

Fun Fact:

I like to restore old furniture.

My Favorites

Food: Italian

Movie: SandLot

Book: Mysteries

Color: Green

Hobby: Gardening

Team: Chicago Cubs

Show: History

Season: Summer

My Life

I have been married for 39 years, I have two adult children Jessica and Brian. My grandson's name is Mason and he is 10 months old!! I love animals but mostly dogs!

My Education

I went to school in Minnesota!



Baker Middle School introduces:

Steve Walker

The Basics

Hi! My name is Mr. Steve Walker. This is my 27th year teaching and 2nd year here at Baker!

Fun Fact:

My oldest daughter is at Gettysburg University

My Favorites

Food: peanut M&M's

Movie: Shawshank Redemption

Color: blue

Hobby: all sports

Teams: S.F. 49ers, Phillies, Sixers, Flyers

Show: Modern Family

Season: Summer

I graduated from Millersville University of Pennsylvania with a Bachelor's Degrees in Math Education. I have taken numerous masters courses from various universities.



I have three beautiful children. Shannon is 19, Kyle is 17 and Kaylin is 10. I have been married to my wife Kim for 24 years, she is also a teacher in Montgomery County.

Baker Middle School introduces:



Christina Wall

The Basics

Hi! My name is Christina Wall and I am a paraeducator in the LFI classroom. This is my 3rd year at Baker.

My Favorites

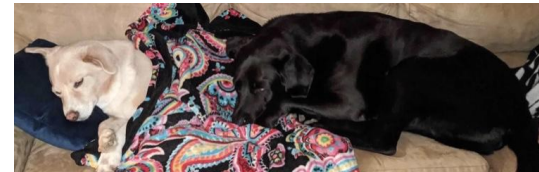
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Movie: The Notebook
Book Genre: Nonfiction
Color: Blue
Hobby: Traveling and gardening
Team: Washington Commanders
Season: fall

My Life

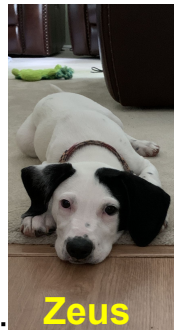
I grew up in Charles County, Md and have lived in Mt. Airy for 20 years. I'm married and have 2 wonderful adult children, Matthew and Julia. They are both students at UMD. We have 2 old, sweet dogs (both lab mixes) that I adore!

My Education

I went to Towson University and have a BS and MS in Speech Pathology.



Middle School introduces:



Zeus

Mrs. Jeanne Webster

My Life

My father was an FBI agent, so I was born in Cleveland, Ohio when he was assigned to that Field Office. I grew up mostly in the DC area in Vienna, Virginia. I have three older brothers. I am married to Mr. Webster, an 8th grade English teacher here at Baker MS. I have two kids. My daughter Lauren is a graduate of the University of Kentucky, and she is getting married next year! My son Ben is a senior at UNC-Charlotte, majoring in Philosophy and Political Science.

My Favorites

- Food:** Carbs
- Movie:** any Harry Potter movie
- Book:** Bridge to Terabithia
- Colors:** Blue and Green
- Hobby:** Writing and Puzzles
- Team:** Nationals
- Show:** All American
- Season:** Fall

The Basics

Hi! My name is Jeanne Webster and I teach 7th grade English. I have been teaching in MCPS since 1993 and have worked at many schools. This is my fifth year at Baker MS!



My Education

I graduated from the University of Delaware with a degree in General and Special Education. I also have a Master's Degree from Johns Hopkins University, specializing in Inclusion. I received my Administration Certificate from McDaniel College. I am a National Board Certified teacher as well.



Fun Fact:

I once worked at the CIA and the FBI.

Baker Middle School introduces:

Scott Webster

The Basics

Hi! My name is Scott Webster. I have been a teacher in MCPS since the Fall of 1995. I came to Baker MS in the Fall of 2006.

Fun Fact:

Jeanne and I like to travel to different cities to watch the Washington Nationals play baseball.

My Favorites

Food: Pizza

Movie: *Braveheart & Hoosiers*

Book: *Citizen Soldiers*

Color: blue

Hobby: watching TV

Team: Washington Nationals

Show: Yellowstone

Season: Fall

My Life

I am married to Mrs. Webster (7th grade English teacher at Baker) and we have two amazing children. My daughter, Lauren, is 25 years old and is a graduate of the University of Kentucky, and my son, Ben, is currently a 22 year old senior at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

My Education

I have degrees from Mary Washington College and from the University of Maryland.



Baker Middle School introduces:

Kristie Mulligan Welch

Fun Fact:

I sing professionally and dance just for fun!



My Favorites

Foods: chocolate
Movies: Harry Potter
Book: The Hobbit
Color: Purple
Hobbies: trees, sunsets, backpacking, dogs, roller coasters
Teams: Ravens, Capitals, Nats, Orioles, Maryland and Washington
Show: Outlander
Motto: Enjoy!



The Basics

Hi! My name is Mrs. Welch. This is my 16th year at Baker Middle School and my 32nd year with MCPS.

I love teaching my students!

My Life

I live near Laytonsville with my son, James, and my mini dachshund Pumpkin. I just moved from my childhood home. James and I love to go backpacking and have traveled to many beautiful places.

My Education

Olney ES, Farquhar MS, Magruder HS

Shenandoah Conservatory of Music and

Johns Hopkins University.



Baker Middle School introduces:

Ms. Wells

Fun Fact:

I lived in
Goosebay
Labrador on an
Airforce base. I
love the beach.



My Favorites

Food: Tacos
Book: 20 Years Later
Color: Pink
Hobby: Making wreaths
Team: Washington
Commanders
Show: Yellowstone
Season:
Fall

The Basics

Hi, my name is Jennifer Wells. I am a Special Ed. paraeducator. I have been with MCPS for 33 years.

My Life

I was born on Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Alabama. I am the last of 5 children. I have a daughter and a son. I have 3 grandsons.

I attended
Montgomery
College.



Baker Middle School introduces:

Mr. White

The Basics

Hi! My name is Andrew White . I have been teaching in MCPS for 21 years and have been at Baker for 18. I started teaching in New Hampshire for my first 5 years.

Fun Fact:

I have one cat and I do a lot of work myself on renovating my home.

My Favorites

Food: Any kind of Seafood

Movie: Toy Story

Book: Goodnight Moon

Color: Green

Hobby: Outdoors

Team: Patriots

Show: Yellowstone

Season: Fall

My Life

Married to Jackie White and have one son, Addison White who is a Montgomery County Police Officer. Grew up in up-state New York. Went to college in New Hampshire.

My Education

Keene State College B.S.in Environmental Science. Notre Dame College M.ED in education K-8



Baker Middle School introduces:

Mrs. Wilson

The Basics

Hello! This is my first year at Baker and my 20th year in MCPS. I also taught in upstate New York for my first 3 years. I teach Science 8.

Fun Fact:

My family and I have done over 40 escape rooms. We are even in a commercial for a local escape room.

My Favorites

Food: NY bagels & pizza

Book: Where the Crawdads Sing

Color: pink

Hobby: crocheting

Show: This Is Us

Season: summer

My Life

- I am married to Tim Wilson, a 3rd grade teacher at Clarksburg ES.
- I have one daughter, Addie. She's in 6th grade.
- I grew up in Ohio and New York.
- I love reading, baking, walking my dog, traveling and spending time with my family.



My Education

I went to the University at Albany in New York for undergraduate and graduate school. I have a BS and MS in Atmospheric Science and an MS in Secondary Science Education.



Baker Middle School introduces:

Mrs. Woodward

The Basics

Hi! This is my 2nd year at Baker and my 26th year in MCPS. I teach Math 8 and I am also the 8th grade team leader.

Fun Fact:

I have run 4 full marathons and lots of ½ marathons for fun!



My Favorites

Food: Poke Bowl

Movie: Moana

Color: Ocean Blue

Hobby: Running/Exercising

Team: Washington Capitals

Show: Wheel of Fortune

Season(s): Summer/Fall

Candy: Mike & Ike's, hot tamales, gummy bears, twizzlers, dark chocolate.



My Life

I have 4 amazing kids. My oldest are twins. My son graduated with a kinesiology degree from UMES and my daughter is getting her early childhood degree. I also have two girls at Clearspring ES. My husband is an athletic specialist. We love running around to help out and watch games!

My Education

- Magruder High School
- Duquesne University
- Johns Hopkins University (graduate)
- National Board Certified - EA Mathematics



Baker Middle School introduces:

Lenny Marino

The Basics

Hi! My name is Lenny Marino.
This is my 14th year at Baker MS
and 38th in MCPS.

Fun Fact:

I have 4
children and...
5
grandchildren.



My Favorites

Food: Anything Italian
Movie: Rocky (all of them)
Book: A Time to Kill
Color: Purple
Hobby: Target Shooting
Team: Nationals/Skins
Show: Everyone Love
Raymond
Season: Fall

My Life

I am second generation
Italian -American. I am
married with 4 wonderful
kids. I love to RV around the
country.

My Education

I attended BCC HS, University of
Maryland, and John's Hopkins
University

Baker Middle School introduces:

Your name here

The Basics

Hi! My name is . Describe how long you've been at Baker, MCPS, and education.

Fun Fact:

My Favorites

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My Life

My Education

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