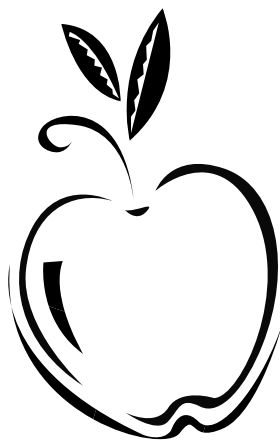
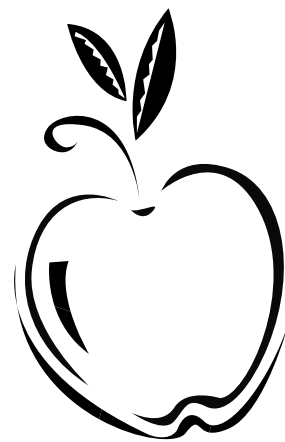


Meet the Newest Additions to Unified School Districts 211 and 212



WELCOME NEW TEACHERS



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Corey Roy — Eisenhower Principal



Corey Roy is the new principal at Eisenhower Elementary. Mr. Roy came to Norton from Burlington, Colo., where he was the assistant high school principal and athletic director. Mr. Roy has been in education for 22 years, 18 of which have been as a building administrator. He received his teaching degree from Fort Hays State University. Mr. Roy moved to Norton with his wife, Gail, and their two daughters, Katharine, who will be a freshman, and Bethany, who will be an eighth grader.

Erin Hill — Senior English and Forensics



Erin Hill will be the new senior English and forensics teacher at Norton Community High School. She will also be an assistant junior high volleyball coach. Most people probably know Mrs. Hill as Erin Foley, but she married Kelly Hill a couple of months ago. She is a graduate of Norton Community High School and is excited and honored to be teaching at her alma mater. Mrs. Hill attended the University of Kansas, where she received her bachelor's degree in education. In July, she received her Masters of Education in instruction and curriculum.

Melinda Fleckenstein — High School Biology & Anatomy and Physiology



Melinda Fleckenstein will be teaching biology and anatomy and physiology at Norton Community High School. This is Mrs. Fleckenstein's first year teaching and she is very excited about getting to know the students, parents and other community members. She graduated from Fort Hays State University in May with a degree in biology and a minor in secondary education. She and her husband Eric live in Dresden. They have a 3-year-old daughter, Taryn, and a baby on the way. She is originally from Selden.

Dennis Burge — Industrial Arts Instructor



Dennis Burge will be the industrial arts instructor for the Norton Junior High School and the Norton Community High School. He graduated from Pittsburg State University with a bachelor's degree in technical education. Mr. Burge taught 13 years within the Norton Correctional System and two years at Jennings High School. He and his wife Linda have three children and eight grandchildren. In his spare time, he likes fishing, hunting and golfing.

Wendy Haresnape — Eisenhower Title I Math Instructor



Wendy Haresnape will be the Title I Math teacher at Eisenhower Elementary. She will also help coach junior high volleyball and fifth and sixth grade volleyball. She is a graduate of Kansas State University. For the past two years, she has been the Title I Tutor at Eisenhower. Mrs. Haresnape is originally from Council Bluff, Iowa, but has lived in Norton for the past three years. Her husband Mike works for First State Bank. They have one son, Connor, who is four. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her family and friends, reading, and cheering on K-State football.

Gail Roy — Part Time Kindergarten



Gail Roy is a new part-time Kindergarten teacher at Eisenhower Elementary. Mrs. Roy grew up in St. Francis and attended Fort Hays State University, where she earned a teaching degree in Elementary Education and Special Education. Most of her 18 years of teaching have been in the field of special education, primarily working with moderate to severe needs children. She and her husband Corey have two children, Katharine, who will be a freshman, and Bethany, who will be an eighth grader. Mrs. Roy said she is really excited about the position.

Jana Hammond — Interrelated teacher at Eisenhower



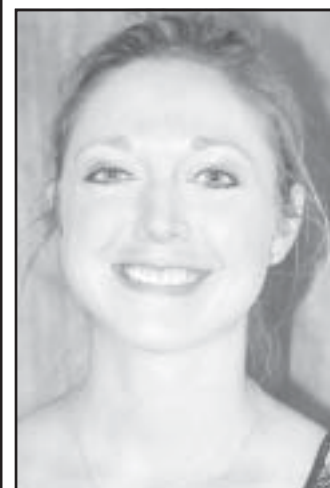
Jana Hammond, a 1997 graduate of Northern Valley High School, is the new interrelated teacher at Eisenhower Elementary. Mrs. Hammond attended Fort Hays State University, graduating with a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education/Adaptive Special Education. She and her husband live in Prairie View and have three children — Brooke, Kailey and Wyatt.

LeAnn Leidig — PreSchool/Title I



LeAnn Leidig is the new 4-year-old preschool teacher and also the Title I reading teacher for kindergarten through eighth grade at Northern Valley. In the spring, she will be teaching the 3-year-old preschool program as well. She said she is very excited to be teaching in the Northern Valley school system. Mrs. Leidig graduated from the University of Nebraska at Kearney in December of 2004 with a degree in Elementary Education and a minor in music. Mrs. Leidig lives with her husband Don about nine miles north of Phillipsburg.

Tiffany VanDerVeen — Junior High English/7th Grade Social Studies



Tiffany VanDerVeen is teaching seventh and eighth grade reading and language arts and seventh grade social studies at Northern Valley. Mrs. VanDerVeen graduated from Fort Hays State University with a bachelor's degree in 1996 and then earned a master's degree in reading specialist in 2003. She has taught for eight years, including language arts in Ulysses, reading and English in Plainville and communications in Benton. Mrs. VanDerVeen is from Phillipsburg, but now lives in Prairie View with her husband Curtis.

Erin Manning — High School Business



Erin Manning will be teaching high school business and computer classes at Northern Valley. She will also be the assistant girls' basketball coach. Mrs. Manning graduated from Fort Hays State University in 2001 with a degree in business education. She taught for a year at South High School in Salina before moving to Norton. For the past three years, she has been the program director and case manager for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Norton County. Originally, she is from Brownell. Mrs. Manning lives in Norton with her husband Chad.

A.J. Landon — High School PE and Grade School Computers



A.J. Landon is the new physical education and keyboarding teacher at Northern Valley. He is also planning to coach high school boys basketball. This is Mr. Landon's first year teaching. He graduated from the University of Nebraska at Kearney in the spring of 2005 with a degree in physical education and business. He lives in Almena.

Donna Nichols — Junior/High School Science



Donna Nichols will be teaching seventh through twelfth grade science, except physics, at Northern Valley. This is her first year teaching. Miss Nichols completed her student teaching at the Burlington Middle School and the Emporia High School. After finishing her student teaching in the spring of 2005, she graduated with a bachelor's degree in education with an emphasis in chemistry, biology and middle school science. She lives in Almena.

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