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Mrs. Kara Taylor

Pre-Kindergarten - 3 Teacher

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Educational Background

B.A. in Elementary Education and Bible/Theology from Appalachian Bible College
ACSI Teachers Certification

Favorite Part of Teaching

I love the enthusiasm my students have for learning new things. (Especially when it's about God!) Getting to be a part of their education is a great privilege and responsibility.



Key Scripture

2 Timothy 1:7-9 "For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control. Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began".

Mrs. Ramona Tiegs

Pre-Kindergarten – 4 Teacher

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Educational Background

2 year Bible Degree - New Tribes Bible Institute
Preschool Associate Credential - Liberty University
Registered with WV STARS for development of early care and education of children

Favorite Part of Teaching

Teaching children to know and love God; Seeing joy on the children's faces as they learn to read.



Key Scripture

Lamentations 3:21 " But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: the steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Mrs. Nikki Kauzlarich

Pre-Kindergarten – 4 Teacher

Educational Background

Early Childhood Education Coursework – Montgomery Community College, MD



Favorite Part of Teaching

There are so many things I love about teaching, but my favorite moments are when I get to help kids believe in themselves, know they're loved by God, embrace their identity in Christ and learn to enjoy learning.

Key Scripture

Psalms 1:1-4 What delight comes to the one who follows God's ways! He won't walk in step with the wicked, nor share the sinner's way, nor be found sitting in the scorner's seat. His passion is to remain true to the word of "I AM," meditating day and night on the true revelation of light. He will be standing firm like a flourishing tree planted by God's design, deeply rooted by the brooks of bliss, bearing fruit in every season of life. He is never dry, never fainting, ever blessed, ever prosperous.

Mrs. Sarah Michael

Kindergarten Teacher

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Educational Background

B.A. in Elementary Education *Liberty University*M.A. in Multi-Categorical Special Education *West Virginia University*Faith Christian Academy Graduate (2009)

Favorite Part of Teaching

Shaping young minds spiritually and academically.

Key Scripture

Lamentations 3:22-23 The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.



Kindergarten Teacher

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Educational Background:

Associates Degree in Administrative Assistant with an emphasis in Bible - Clarks Summit University

Favorite Part of Working at FCA

I love being able to help students who are struggling to learn a concept and seeing that moment when it all comes together for them!

Key Scripture

Colossians 3:12-14 So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, *put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience*; bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave





you, so must you do also. In addition to all these things *put on love*, which is the perfect bond of unity.

Miss. Brynna Harless

First Grade Teacher

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B.S. in Elementary Education - Shepherd University M.A. in Literacy Education- West Virginia University West Virginia Teachers Certification



My Favorite Part of Teaching

I love finding new and exciting ways to engage students in the content! Through hands-on activities and object lessons, students can see Bible concepts come to life in a meaningful way. I also love facilitating reading discussions and challenging students to think beyond what is written and apply these ideas to their own experiences.

Key Scripture

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

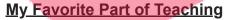
Matthew 5:16 "In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that[a] they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

Mrs. Joanna Michael

First Grade Teacher

Education Background

B.S. in Elementary Education - Shepherd University



Seeing children grow and learn in their understanding of who God is. Encouraging each student to grow and develop in who God created them to be.



Key ScripturePsalm 105:1 Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

Mrs. Lisa Peifer

Second Grade Teacher

AMAZON WISH LIST

Education Background

B.A. in Early Childhood Education with a minor in Art - *Hood College* ACSI Certification

Favorite Part of Teaching

Being able to share the Word of God with my students everyday and witnessing their transformation from the knowledge of His word to living it out in their hearts and lives!

Key Scripture

Philippians 4:13: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." (NKJV)



Mrs. Lauren Walls

Second Grade Teacher

AMAZON WISH LIST

Education Background

B.A. in Elementary Education
Librarian/Media Specialist Endorsement

Favorite Part of Teaching

I love the moments when students understand a concept for the first time. Seeing them celebrate and feel the sense of accomplishment is so rewarding for them and me too! I also love when different strengths shine through. It shows how God uses us all in different ways!

Key Scripture

Jeremiah 29:11 – "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."

Miss. Wanda Bradshaw

Third Grade Teacher

AMAZON WISH LIST

Educational Background

B.S. in Elementary Education - *Hyles-Anderson College*M.Ed in Secondary Education - *Hyles-Anderson College*Working with Children with Autism Certificate - *Regent University*





+15 Graduate credits in Education ACSI Teacher's Certification

Favorite Part of Teacher

Seeing the excitement in their eyes when they understand a concept that is being taught.

Key Scripture

Isaiah 26:3 "Thou will keep him in perfect peace, when his mind is stayed on Thee."

Miss. Allison Bowsher

Third Grade Teacher

AMAZON WIST LIST

Educational Background

B.A. in Elementary Education and Bible/Theology from Appalachian Bible College
AACS & ACSI Certified

Favorite Part of Teacher

I enjoy watching each student grow in their God given gifts and talents. I am also thankful for the opportunity to include Christ in every aspect of the school day!

Key Scripture

Colossians 1:10 "That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God."

2 Corinthians. 4:7 "We have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us."



Mrs. Melody Engler

Fourth Grade Teacher

AMAZON WISH LIST

Educational Background

B.S. in Elementary Education with a minor in Bible- Pensacola Christian College

WV State License



Favorite Part of Teaching

I love reaching the heart of my students with the love of God and seeing them learn to grow in Him on a personal level. Making learning fun while fostering this relationship and watching as it overflows into their academic success, social growth, and mental strength while they discover what God can, will, and is doing in their lives makes molding the next generation so thrilling and rewarding!

Key Scripture

Isaiah 40:31- But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Philippians 1:20-21-According to my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

Mrs. Molly Seabolt

Fourth Grade Teacher

Educational Background

B.S. in Elementary Education with a focus on Language Arts - *Taylor University*

My Favorite Part of Teaching

I love when students who were once very uninterested in a lesson or subject suddenly get a flame of excitement as they begin to understand and see what they are learning in the world around them. They take what they have learned and apply it to their own lives in the way they view others, the world around them, and also themselves.

Key Scripture

2 Timothy 1:7 "For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control."

Psalm 139:13-16 "For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb, I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them."

Mrs. Melanie Simons

Fifth Grade Teacher

AMAZON WISH LIST

Education Background

Bachelor of Science in Accounting and Business Management-Pensacola Christian College

ACSI Teaching Certification (In Progress)

My Favorite Part of Teaching

I love seeing children grow in confidence as they overcome challenges and realize their true potential. I also enjoy helping them learn the Word of God, which helps them see how precious and valued they are.

Key Scripture

Isaiah 26:3-4 You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You, Because he trusts in You. Trust in the Lord forever, For in Yah, the Lord, is everlasting strength.



Mrs. Erin Saxe

Fifth Grade Teacher

AMAZON WISH LIST

Education Background

B.A. University of Valley Forge in Theology

M.A. Marshall University in Elementary Education

My Favorite Part of Teaching

Experiencing the wonder of learning over and over again with my students.

Key Scripture

Philippians 1:6 "Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." (NIV)



Elementary Physical Education Pre-K – 5th grade

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Educational Background

Bachelor of Science Degree Health & Physical Education - Eastern Mennonite University

Minor in Coaching

ACSI Teacher Certification



Favorite Part of Teaching

Virginia State License

Developing students into healthy young adults that are equipped to fulfill God's purpose

Key Scripture

Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding."

Mr. Jason Crawford

Band & Choir Director

AMAZON WISH LIST

Educational Background

Bachelor of Arts in K-12 Music Education *magna cum laude - Alderson-Broaddus University, Philippi, West Virginia*

Master of Music in Composition *summa cum laude - Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio*

Favorite Part of Teaching

I love helping students take personal responsibility for the application of Biblical and musical



knowledge discovered together. I am happy to teach facts and skills, but I am overjoyed when facts and skills are used wisely in practical application; this sets students on the path toward Biblical maturity and musical greatness. Teaching students how to be successful is important to me.

Key Scripture

Philippians 3:7-8a "But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord."

Mr. Hector M. Zavala

Orchestra Director and Strings Teacher

Educational Background

Shenandoah University, Winchester Virginia
Masters in Music Education
Masters in Instrumental Conducting
Escuela Superior De Music y Danza de Monterrey, Mexico
Bachelor in Violin Performance
Studied at the University of Toronto and at Carnegie Mellon University



Favorite Part of Teaching

Setting good playing foundations

Key Scripture

Psalm 150:3 "Praise Him with Strings and Pipe."

Mrs. Sarah Taylor

Art

Educational Background

B.S in Family & Consumer Sciences - Shepherd University
Associates in Culinary Arts - Shepherd University
M.S in Strategic Leadership - Mountain State University



Favorite Part of Teaching

Watching students discover and use the talents God has given them.

Key Scripture

Psalm 32:8"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you."

Mrs. Dania Kanokogi

Spanish Teacher

Educational Background

BS, Universidad del Atlántico, Colombia
Education Sciences Specialized in Spanish and English

Favorite Part of TeachingI enjoy watching how students are motivated to learn a second language and that they can see on me a testimony for the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ.



Key Scripture

2 Timothy 1:12 "For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless, I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believe and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day"

James 1:5-6 "If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will give to you. But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind"

Mrs. Vinia Williams

Elementary Librarian

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Educational Background Jefferson High School James Rumsey



Experience

Substitute Teacher Aid/Secretary for Jefferson County Schools Teacher at Maplewood Baptist Church Events Coordinator at Maplewood Baptist Church

Favorite Part of My Job

Greeting parents and helping students when sick or injured is a rewarding part of my day. Encouraging students to serve in our school to make a difference in the lives of those here at FCA.

Key Scripture

John 3:16 "For God so love the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Mr. Jack E. Price, II

Teacher & IT Coach for Teachers/Admin.

Educational Background

BS Secondary Education Social Studies - West Virginia University
Computer Science - Mountain Empire Community College
Certified technology integration specialist in the state of West Virginia.



Favorite Part of Teaching

One of the most rewarding aspects of teaching computers to elementary students is witnessing their sense of wonder and curiosity come to life. Young children approach technology with a natural sense of enthusiasm, and as an educator, it's incredibly fulfilling to see their eyes light up when they manage to make something work on their own.

Key Scripture

Jeremiah 29:11 - For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Mrs. Barbie Kidwell

Music Teacher

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Educational Background

Associate Degree in Music - South Suburban College Applicable credits from American Conservatory of Music

Favorite Part of Teaching

Watching the students give their all in recitals or performances, while giving the glory and



praise to Jesus.

Key Scripture

Psalms 5:7 NLT - Because of your unfailing love, I can enter your house; I will worship at your Temple with deepest awe.

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