

Welcome to Music!

My name is Erynne Johns, and I am so excited to be your student's music teacher this year! This is my 3rd year teaching in the LWSD and my 15th year teaching music overall. I went to college at Adams State University in Colorado where I earned my BA in Music Education, Music Performance, and my Master's in Music Education.

I am the new full time music teacher at McAuliffe Elementary! Last school year, I was one of the music teachers for the LWSD Online School and taught at Mead. My first year in the district, the "Covid year", I taught Kinder and First grade music at McAuliffe and Rosa Parks. Some of your students might know me as Miss Smith! I have taught elementary music, choir, and beginning band. Music is my passion!

Some interesting things about me are I grew up in Colorado, I'm left-handed, and I have two orange tabby cats named Simba and Nala. My husband Chris and I just got married last year and I'm in the middle of changing my name to Johns. At school, I'll be Mrs. Johns, but my email and on Teams, I'm still Smith (for now!) When I'm not teaching, I love doing crafts, I love nerdy things (Harry Potter, Star Wars, Star Trek, Doctor Who, etc.), and I love spending time with my family.

This year, I'm excited to share the love of music with your students. We will sing songs, play music games, learn about musicians and composers, explore music and instruments from around the world, and so much more. It's going to be a great school year!

Erynne Johns (Smith)

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Welcome to Music!

My name is Melissa Montoya, and I am so excited to be your student's music teacher this year! This is my 4th year teaching in the LWSD and my 9th year teaching music overall. I went to college at Northwest University in Kirkland, where I earned both my bachelor's degree in Music Education and my Master's in Teaching.

This school year I will be teaching at both Mead Elementary and McAuliffe Elementary. Last school year, I was one of the music teachers for the LWSD Online School, where I really enjoyed integrating technology and digital resources into the music classroom. I taught at Mead Elementary before my position online and before that, in the Snohomish School District. I have taught elementary music, high school choir and piano, children's choir, and private lessons. I love teaching music to kids.

Some interesting things about me are I grew up in Alaska, I'm left-handed, and I have twin daughters (and they're both left-handed too!). When I'm not teaching, I love doing crafts, I love coffee, and I love spending time with my family.

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Melissa Montoya

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Specialist Grading Rubric – Effort

LIBRARY, MUSIC, PE

ABOVE STANDARD (4)

This student performs at standard (3) and in addition is a consistent, independent, and self motivated learner. The student actively contributes to the classroom learning experience.

AT STANDARD (3)

This student regularly:

- focuses and engages in the class activity
- listens to and follows instructional directions and asks for help when needed
- follows class rules
- respects people and school property
- cooperates with others to accomplish lesson goals

APPROACHING STANDARD (2)

This student sometimes:

- focuses and engages in the class activity
- listens to and follows instructional directions and asks for help when needed
- follows class rules
- respects people and school property
- cooperates with others to accomplish lesson goals

NOT AT STANDARD (1)

This student seldom:

- focuses and engages in the class activity
- listens to and follows instructional directions and asks for help when needed
- follows class rules
- respects people and school property
- cooperates with others to accomplish lesson goals