

Tell me and I forget.  
Teach me and I *Remember*.  
Involve me and I *Learn*.

- Benjamin Franklin



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# CERTIFIED TEACHERS



*Nikki Bachman*

Final Assignment:  
YIC Teacher Horizon  
Academy/Two Rivers

Other Assignments:  
Westminster Christian  
School, Westminster, CA  
Language Arts, PE, and  
History. St. Paul Lutheran  
School, Ogden, UT 6th,

7th, 8th Language Arts, History, Literature, Green  
Acres Elementary. 6th, Weber Valley Detention  
Center, Language Arts

Years of Service:  
15 in Weber School District; 35 total.

Memories: I recall the students' smiles when they got a concept or did well on an assignment or test. I coached volleyball and soccer for years. The players were always excited to play - win or lose we had fun. The friendships I made with parents and staff that are life long. I enjoyed taking kids on field trips - many of the YIC kids had never been to such places as the zoo or a museum. The delight I saw on their faces—even high schoolers—often we forget they are still kids. I am always amazed when students come back to visit - some many years later and thank me for being there for them. Several students told me they became teachers because of me. That is an honor I shall never forget. I always wanted to make a difference in kids' lives. It is my fervent prayer that I have touched those I came into contact with.

Future plans: I plan on visiting my out-of-state kids/grandkids a lot more. Travel with my husband to wherever the car, plane, or 5th wheel takes us. Finally, I will have time to declutter my house. Enjoy more time outside doing my yard, running, hiking, biking, going on long walks with my dogs. I plan on going to more daytime Ladies Bible studies offered by my church. Volunteering my time at various places. I don't plan on sitting around doing nothing - I'll be living my life.



*Wendy Barney*

Final Assignment:  
Weber High School

Other Assignments:  
Box Elder Junior High

Years of Service:  
22 in Weber School  
District; 35 total.

Memories: Implementing Choices class at BEJH. Coaching soccer and basketball at BEHS. Working with Senior class officers at Weber High School for 15 years. Coaching volleyball, softball, and golf at WHS. I was fortunate to work with 10 former students as they have become teachers at WHS. I loved working with the students, faculty, and admin at both schools! I've had an amazing career!

Future plans: First I want to relax this summer and then my dreams include going on a cruise, buying a horse, and enjoying time with Dan, and my two daughters Mandy, and Kadee!



*Therese Bird*

Final Assignment:  
Bates Elementary

Years of Service:  
41 in Weber School District.

Memories: I have had the pleasure of working with so many incredible people during my years

here in Weber School District. I learned from each one of you, we have had some great laughs and shared some tears together, all of us receiving so much in return.

I have loved seeing children learn to love to read. The daily smiles, laughs, and ah-ha moments. Staying in the struggle and succeeding.

I love when former students come back to visit. It

is amazing to see how they have grown, changed, and succeeded.

Future plans: I plan on being the best version of myself. Spending time with family and friends. Doing all the things that I have put off for far too long and LOVING life.



## Michelle Bliss

Final Assignment:  
Reading Specialist and  
Instructional Coach at  
Hooper Elementary

Other Assignments:  
Kindergarten Teacher  
at Club Heights & Davis  
District, 3rd Grade Teacher  
at Club Heights

Years of Service:  
22 in Weber School District; 25 total.

Memories: I have fond and cherished memories from my 12 years teaching Kindergarten. Little people are my favorite people! I also loved helping struggling readers become fluent readers as a Reading Specialist and will never forget the joy of making a difference in their lives. Hooper Elementary was a wonderful place to learn and grow in my role as Instructional Coach. Thank you to the many amazing Teachers, Paraprofessionals, Office & Custodial Staff, and Administrators I have worked with over the last 25 years. I will miss your friendship! You have touched my life for good.

Future plans: I am looking forward to spending more time with my husband, children, and grandchildren. I will spend time serving my family and others through missionary opportunities (locally and far away). I aim to spend time on sewing and quilting projects, reading for pleasure, traveling to new places, and sleeping in!



## Pam Brown

Final Assignment:  
Green Acres

Other Assignments:  
Riverdale

Years of Service:  
13 in Weber School District;  
35 total.

Memories: There are so many fun memories, but one of my favorites was going to science camp with my students in California.

Future plans: I will be spending a lot of time doing my artwork, as well as teaching art classes. I will also be working on promoting my children's book that is currently in the publication stage. And, of course, I will be spending a lot of extra time with my grandkids.



## Debbie Campbell

Final Assignment:  
5th grade at Bates  
Elementary

Other Assignments:  
Started in the "old" Club  
Heights 5th grade; Majestic  
1st, 2nd, and 4th grade;  
Bates 4th, 5th and a 5/6  
split, Valley View 5th

Years of Service:  
25 in Weber School District.

Memories: Working with amazing fellow teachers and administrators. I've truly had the best of both! Loving the changes I've made in location. Students are students no matter the school and community. I enjoy a new challenge. Watching a class of math students "get it," and reading novels with the students when they beg to continue. After my change from Bates to Valley View, having my partner Sharon Brown remind me "often" that "you're not in Kansas anymore, Dorothy." Weber School District has been a pleasure to work for and with. *(continued...)*

Future plans: I'm so anxious to not wake up to an alarm clock, spend the days with our family dogs, going to lunch with friends, walks with friends and dogs, and being on NO time schedule. I'm excited to enjoy Sunday evenings without knowing that Monday was coming. Seeking other loves in life.



## Rhonda Combe

Final Assignment:  
3rd Grade at Valley Elementary

Other Assignments:  
Special Education at Canyon View, Valley Elementary, West Weber, and Logan School District

Years of Service:  
26 in Weber School District; 34 total.

Memories: I cherish the relationships I have developed over the years with students, parents, and colleagues. I loved the moments when my students accomplished their goals or got excited about the things we were learning in class. I loved the sweet notes, pictures, and emails I received from current and former students and parents that made me feel like I made a difference. I have very special memories of meeting new students, Patriotic Programs, Drive-in Movies, Polar Express Parties, and all of the fun activities that come with teaching excitable 8-9 year olds!

Future plans: I plan on spending as much time with my family (especially my cute grandchildren) as possible and look forward to making new fun and special memories. I plan to throw in some pickleball, walks, and lunch dates with friends.



## Diane Cooper

Final Assignment:  
Burch Creek Elementary

Other Assignments:  
1st and 3rd MarLon Hills

Years of Service:  
13 in Weber School District;  
33 total.

Memories: The memories I will take with me are the relationships that have been built with students, their parents, their families and the community. I've always considered my students as "my kids." I will miss the smiles, the hugs, laughter, and the way their faces light up when they finally "get it." The times former students come to visit just to talk; little notes they leave me and the emails they send. Having the satisfaction of knowing I created a safe and loving place for students to learn, grow and have fun. I have worked with some of the best colleagues. They have become lifelong friends.

Future plans: First thing is turning off the 5:30 a.m. alarm. Catching up on projects that have been neglected for years. Serving in the community, traveling, lots of traveling, spending time with family and continue to learn new things.



## Melissa Copeland

Final Assignment:  
Majestic Elementary

Other Assignments:  
Municipal, Lomond View, Midland, Freedom, Country View, Club Heights, Washington Terrace

Years of Service:  
22 in WSD; 23 total.

Memories: Working and loving the students. Working with great people.

Future plans: Do whatever I want, no alarm clock, no schedule, just live and love life.



## Nina Doxey

Final Assignment:  
Roy High School Choir and  
Music Chair

Years of Service:  
23 in Weber School District.

Memories: I have loved  
working with the students,  
and every year is my

favorite. I am grateful to work with students who have shown such beautiful potential and are always willing to show their talents. Students continually show me that the world is in good hands. Encouraging students to achieve success and to love music has always been the ultimate goal. I have loved working with my colleagues, both past and present. I will miss my many friends and memories here at Roy High School.

Future plans: To spend time with my family and to help where I can.



## Nancy Jackson Fulmer

Final Assignment:  
Reading Specialist/Coach

Other Assignments:  
Special Education Teacher  
at North Park Elementary,  
AmeriCorps member  
at MarLon Elementary  
and aide at H. Guy Child  
Elementary

Years of Service: 25 in Weber School District.

Memories: My favorite memory is of seeing the “aha” moments with my students! I also enjoyed making lifelong friendships with students, their families and colleagues. What other job would have you say things like “We don’t lick the pencil sharpener!” Most of all, I feel blessed to have been given the chance to “touch the future”.

Future plans: I plan to spend time with my family... especially the grandchildren. As time allows, I will fill it with reading and traveling. What do you bet I’ll find a way to keep teaching???



## John Harris

Final Assignment:  
Reading Coach, Green  
Acres Elementary

Other Assignments:  
2nd/3rd grade at Beehive  
Elementary in Granite  
School District, 3rd and  
4th grades and Reading  
Specialist at Green Acres

Years of Service: 36 in WSD; 37 total.

Memories: I have enjoyed all the great people I was able to work with including fellow co-workers, principals, the reading specialists and of course all of the students I had the opportunity to teacher. Special memories include field trips to Promontory Summit, and fossils hunting in Ogden Canyon, playing the piano for the annual Christmas Sing-A-Long at Green acres, and having our school choir perform at Abravanel Hall and with Weber High School’s performance of “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.” Finally, special memories of all the funny things that I heard students say over the years of my career.

Future plans: Looking forward to new opportunities and adventures. Spend time working on hobbies and projects around home.



## Shauna Harris

Final Assignment:  
Kindergarten at Farr West

Other Assignments:  
Kindergarten at West  
Haven; Kindergarten &  
5th grade at Grandview  
Elementary in Ogden  
School District; 2nd grade  
at Lynn Elementary in  
Ogden School District

Years of Service: 15 in WSD; 27 total.

Memories: My childhood dream of being a teacher has been fulfilled!

Future plans: The future holds many possibilities!



## Cindy Hillstrom

Mrs. Hillstrom

Final Assignment:  
Valley Elementary

Years of Service:  
15 in Weber School District;  
18 total.

Memories: I loved  
portraying the Colonial  
time period, bike ride to

Huntsville park, the students being in charge, daily “think tank,” bat week, science experiments that didn’t always work as planned, and the students! I have learned and gained experiences from the my amazing colleagues.

Future plans: I plan to relax by gardening and working with my husband to figure out a way to have a maintenance-free yard. I’d like to travel to every state and continent. I will be helping with my 90-year old mother’s needs. Finally, I will enjoy my grandkids and help my own children.



## Angela James

Final Assignment:  
2nd grade at Burch Creek

Other Assignments:  
12 years in Morgan  
School District teaching  
Kindergarten and 1st.  
12 years at MarLon Hills  
Elementary teaching 2nd.

Years of Service:  
18 in Weber School District; 30 total.

Memories: All of the kids. I’ve taught many children to become better readers as a K, 1, and 2 grade teacher. That has been my greatest achievement.

Field trips and fun days. The dairy farm in Morgan, skiing at the Environmental Center, sledding behind MarLon Hills, getting pies in my face for reading incentives, and fish painting.

The selection of the name for Burch Creek Elementary was my submission. I presented to the board of education and had an article in the local newspaper regarding the naming of the new school.

I will cherish all of my memories and think of them often.

Future plans: Sleep in and drink my coffee in bed.



## David Jenkins

Old Man Jenkins

Final Assignment:  
Swanson’s North Fork  
Environmental Center

Other Assignments:  
Snowcrest Jr. High

Years of Service:  
29 in Weber School  
District; 35.5 total.

Memories: Pointed hoar frost on the Overlook. Winter’s lovely embrace.

Shrieks and yelps of the childrens’ saturated fun. Discovering the mysteries of life underneath logs and rocks and leaves.

Adventures every day.

Fixing, fixing, fixing.

Ground hog day in heaven.

Future plans: Time for some adventures of my own. Chasing the hues of dusk and dawn.

Making new friends and keeping old ones.

I will be the master of my schedule.

Following birds.

Skiing fresh powder instead of pushing it.

Thanks to all whose paths crossed mine.

It was my priviledge to work with you.

You are part of who I am.



## Shelly Manning

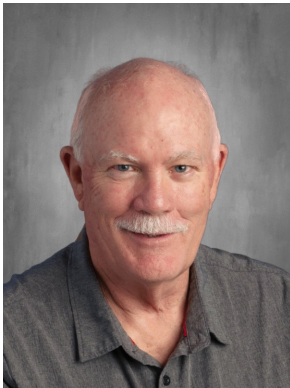
Final Assignment:  
1st Grade at North Ogden  
Elementary

Other Assignments:  
Hooper Elementary, Club  
Heights, Roosevelt

Years of Service:  
24 in WSD; 30 total.

Memories: I have loved teaching first grade! Instilling a love of reading in my students has been amazing. It is so nice to see the “lightbulb” moments in students eyes when things click. I also love all of the colleagues I have met along the way and will miss those daily interactions!

Future plans: I am going to spend time with my family first and foremost, run my small business and travel whenever I want to!



## Delmar Olney

Final Assignment:  
6th grade teacher at Farr  
West Elementary

Other Assignments:  
I taught 6th grade at North  
Ogden for one year.

Years of Service: 29 in  
Weber School District.

Memories: Most of my favorite memories involve the students. Every year I’ve had a great class. I’ve had the opportunity of teaching with many teachers, including those who helped open Farr West. These teachers have become some of my best friends. I have also been excited to watch talented new teachers bring their energy and skills to help students succeed.

Future plans: Half of my children live out of state, so my wife and I will do some traveling. I will keep busy in my garage working on various projects that my wife wants done. I will also do some family research so I can pass the information on to my children and grandchildren.



## Liane Oyler

Final Assignment:  
English Teacher at Roy  
High School in Roy, Utah

Other Assignments:  
English Teacher - Weber  
High School, English  
Teacher and Cheer  
Advisor -Ben Lomond High  
School, English Teacher,

PE Teacher and Coach for Cheerleading, and Girl Sports at Syracuse Jr. High School, English Teacher and PE Teacher and Coach for Girls Sports at Mueller Park Jr. High School.

Years of Service:  
29 in Weber School District; 32.25 total

Memories: Coaching Girls Sports, Assist Coaching the Drill Team at Weber High School, meeting so many other Teachers and becoming friends and best friends. Teaching some wonderful students and seeing them again after they have grown up into amazing adults! Being Cheer Advisor at Ben Lomond and taking the team to their first competition and being so proud of their accomplishments.

Future plans: My plans for the future are to work a part-time job, working about 20-25 hours a week. Watching my newest granddaughter once a week and enjoy watching her grow up. Enjoy hanging out with all my other grandchildren more and finding time to travel more with my husband. Most of all enjoy life and have fun!



## Shirley Passey

Final Assignment:  
Principal at North Ogden  
Elementary

Other Assignments:  
Intern at Washington  
Terrace, Roy Elementary,  
Midland, North Park,  
Counselor at North Park,  
Reading Specialist at Club

Heights, Teacher at Roosevelt and Pioneer

Years of Service: 28 in Weber School District.

Memories: I have loved working with all of the children, parents and colleagues that I've met and spent time with throughout the years. I've been able to teach children and they have taught me. I loved learning about Leader in Me and sharing that with my staff, students and families at Lakeview and North Ogden Elementary. Applying the 7 Habits made me a better person and being a principal gave me the opportunity to empower people to achieve GREATNESS!

Future plans: I'm so excited to be able to plan my day, week or year to do whatever I want. There are so many things I want to learn and do with my family and friends. Thanks for all of the great memories from the years in education and now let the adventures begin...



## Ralynne Phillips

Final Assignment:  
2nd Grade teacher at  
Midland Elementary

Other Assignments:  
1st grade teacher at Valley  
Elementary

Years of Service:  
31 in Weber School District.

Memories: My number one memory is the joy of watching students learn something new. Their eyes and the AHA moment! I loved my students! Meeting former students and their families makes it all come full circle. It's been a privilege.

Future plans: I am looking forward to waking up when I want, going to exercise and walk with friends, making wonderful memories with my family, compiling my parents' memories, volunteering as a RAAMP volunteer with stroke victims & giving HOPE to others. Looking forward to a new chapter in my life. God is good.



## Karla Porter

Final Assignment:  
Director of Student  
Services

Other Assignments:  
Supervisor of Elementary  
Education; Principal,  
Plain City Elementary;  
Administrative Intern,  
Rocky Mountain Junior

High; English Teacher, Sand Ridge Junior and Roy

Years of Service:  
30 in Weber School District.

Memories: Teaching students every day was truly an honor. The daily interactions with them left a footprint on my heart. I have been blessed to work with the most amazing individuals along my journey. Their dedicated commitment to students and families is truly a testament of the quality of people in Weber School District. You have touched my life, and I feel richly blessed for experiencing the greatest 30 years anyone could ask for in a career.

Future plans: Spending time with my children and my adorable grandkids, working on family history, serving in the temple, reading, catching up on all the projects I've neglected, gardening, skiing, going on sisters' outings, morning walks and checking things off my bucket list!





## Amy Ricks

Final Assignment:  
Majestic Elementary  
1st Grade

Other Assignments:  
Lomond View, 3rd grade

Years of Service:  
30 in WSD; 33 total.

Memories: I love being a part of helping students learn and grow.

Future plans: I still have to figure that out.



## Janalee Ritchie

Jan

Final Assignment:  
Majestic Elementary

Other Assignments:  
Willard Elementary in Box  
Elder School District

Years of Service:  
13 in WSD; 17 total.

Memories: My best memories are the times interacting with my students and watching them learn and grow. Kids are the best! They have made me smile and laugh every day. There is nothing better than that magical moment when the light goes on and a student “gets it!” I will always cherish the friendships I have made with so many awesome teachers, staff, principals, and parents over the years. I appreciate all of the things that I have learned about so many subjects but mostly about the joy and love that comes from human interaction and growth. It is so very rewarding!

Future plans: I plan to spend lots of time with my husband, our family and friends doing adventures and service. We have 16 Grandchildren who definitely need more grandma time. We have many plans to travel and see more of this wonderful world. I’m looking forward to decreasing at a higher speed, my big stack of books that are waiting for me to read. Quilting, sewing, photo projects, writing and family history work are also waiting for me. It will be nice to

clean out every room, closet and drawer in my house. I will be outside in my yard and garden and taking walks with my hubby, friends, and sisters.



## Mark Storey

Coach

Final Assignment:  
Rocky Mountain Jr High,  
U.S History & Utah Studies

Other Assignments:  
Ogden City shop class

Years of Service:  
26 in WSD; 27 total.

Memories: I have enjoyed getting to know and work with the staff here at Rocky, and Fremont as well when I was coaching there. I made a lot of friends along the way. I have loved working with the students in the classroom and coaching. In 26 years of teaching and coaching I have never had a bad day at work; it’s because of all the wonderful people I was surrounded by. Coaching young men’s track, football and wrestling. Winning the state wrestling tournament in 2003 while coaching the Fremont wrestling team. I coached 52 seasons including three different sports, and loved every minute of it! The other coaches were great and I learned a lot from them. My co-workers were the best I could ask for.

Future plans: I have a 60 acre farm in Bear River City that I am going to work. I will also surround myself with grandkids and spend some quality time with my wife, who was my biggest supporter throughout my career. Maybe spend some time traveling with her.



## Wendy Taylor

Final Assignment:  
Sand Ridge Jr. High  
(Resource Teacher)

Other Assignments: Country  
View Elementary and  
Rocky Mountain Jr. High (as  
an aide prior to teaching)

Years of Service: 27 in  
Weber School District.

Memories: The friendships I've made with fellow teachers/co-workers, and the students that made me smile and laugh over the years are among my favorite memories. (I will also never forget our pod activities/escapades between classes!)

Future plans: My goal is to enjoy an additional five days a week of "Saturdays" doing whatever my heart desires. I plan to read more books, travel more places, take more pictures, make more memories with family and friends, do more family history work, return to Sand Ridge and volunteer from time to time, and learn to eat lunch at a more leisurely pace.



## Natalie Thompson

Final Assignment:  
Special Education Teacher,  
Kanesville Elementary

Other Assignments:  
Special Education Para-  
Educator, Sped Teacher at  
Majestic Elementary

Years of Service: 22 in  
Weber School District.

Memories: Kanesville Elementary is the BEST place to work. I have enjoyed working and laughing with such good people. I have made such good friends here. I have loved teaching children and watching them gain confidence in themselves as they improve academically. I will miss working with my students very much.

Future plans: Read good books, spoil my grandchildren, relax, travel and camp in the mountains with my husband.

## OTHER CERTIFIED RETIREES

Michelle Bliss

Maren Malan

Patricia Camp

Jennifer Navarro

Cara Dayley

Rebecca Nelson

Adrianna Griffey

Patricia Nielson

Natalie Hoy

Janeal Rice-Marsell

Taunya Jacobs

Angel Truett

# CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES



*Linda Borelli-Ward*

Miss Linda

Final Assignment:  
Uintah Elementary

Years of Service:  
21 in Weber School District.

Memories: Seeing the change in the students from the beginning of the year to the end. Making life long friends.

Future plans: I still plan to take my kids back and forth to work. Work on my house and maybe even buy a new one. I would like to see more of my granddaughter. Just try to relax and maybe do nothing.



*Vicki Carver*

Final Assignment:  
Registrar, Roy High

Other Assignments:  
Attendance Secretary,  
Roy High-Fremont High

Years of Service:  
22 in Weber School  
District; 25 total.

Memories: Some of my best and happiest days were at WSD. I had so much fun working and laughing with Roxanne Wilson at Fremont and the counseling team at Roy. Many fond memories of Christmas parties at Roy High and stressful meeting that would break out into laughter. Thank you to all the principals I got to know over the years, I learned so much from each of you. I will miss you all.

Future plans: I finally have a grandchild and twins on the way, so excited to spend time with them. Go camping with my husband, wherever and whenever we want! Would like to spend time volunteering with the Red Cross.



*Lu Ann Crowell*

Mrs. Crowell

Final Assignment:  
Uintah Elementary,  
Reading Aide

Other Assignments: H.  
Guy Child, Kaneshville, &  
Roosevelt-ESL Teacher

Years of Service: 26 in  
Weber School District.

Memories: One of my favorite memories has been watching a struggling reader become fluent and on the path as a lifelong reader. My favorite comment by a student was, "I love reading now!" I have loved every minute and have enjoyed the students so much. I will miss the kids hugs, honest comments, mostly good and less bad, and some that make you laugh. I so appreciate the many life lessons learned from several volunteers and work-study students who I have managed throughout the years. I have been treated so well at Uintah and throughout the district.

Future plans: I am looking forward to spending more time with my husband, children, grandchildren, and friends. I will enjoy church opportunities as they arise. Travel is on the top of my list, gardening, going on walks whenever I want, and reading as many books as possible. I want to take advantage of each day and serve others.



## Mack DeVries

Mr. Mack

Final Assignment:  
Custodian Valley  
Elementary

Years of Service:  
21 in Weber School District.

Memories: Doing a bunch  
of odd things with Mr Hales  
and the kids (Ask Mr Hales  
all about it)

Future plans: Sleep in . Make the bed. Do the  
dishes. Drink a diet Pepsi. Shovel snow. Mow the  
lawn. Do the laundry..Ride my motorcycle. Do  
some welding. Do wood working. Throw rocks at  
the neighbor kids. THEN I'M GOING TO TAKE A  
NAP. GOOD BYE.



## Tamarah Higley

Tammy

Final Assignment:  
District Office

Other Assignments:  
Hooper Elem. Office aide

Years of Service:  
25 in Weber School  
District.

Memories: I have had the opportunity to work and  
get to know some very amazing people. They  
have all been so kind and friendly. In the 25 years  
I have worked for Weber School district I have  
made memories and friendships that will last a  
lifetime. Thanks to everyone who has touched my  
life.

Future plans: My Plans for the future are to enjoy  
time with my grandkids and family.



## Lani Hall

Final Assignment:  
ESL Aide at T.H. Bell Jr./  
South Ogden Jr.

Other Assignments:  
Taught 3rd/4th grade in  
Davis County, PLC Art Aide  
at Uintah Elementary,  
Substitute

Years of Service:

13 in Weber School District; 20 total.

Memories: I have loved working with the  
newcomers. They are so brave, humble, smart and  
determined to succeed in their new life.

Future plans: Traveling, golfing, running, learning,  
and supporting our grandkids.



## Bonnie Keller

Final Assignment:  
Uintah Elementary  
Child Nutrition Manager

Other Assignments:  
H. Guy Child Play Ground/  
Teacher Aide, Cook

Years of Service:  
31 in Weber School District.

Memories: Carving A LOT of Pumpkins for  
display at Halloween time in our lunchroom the  
excitement on the students faces as they came  
to lunch. At Christmas time the elf explosion  
in the lunchroom and the students count how  
many there are each day their excitement when  
they find more. The many people I have made  
friendships with.

Future plans: Spending time with Family & Travel.



## Christina Kotter

Chrissy

Final Assignment:  
Facilities & Operations

Other Assignments:  
Fremont High Head  
Secretary & Office Aide,  
Bonneville High Office  
Aide, NOJH Attendance  
Secretary

Years of Service:  
25 in Weber School District.

Memories: FHS - Tap dancing in an assembly with Bev Watkins (I was new to the school setting...what did I know?!). NOJH - Watching Jr. high kids RUN to lunch. BHS - Collecting lost and found items and setting them on coworkers' desks (the things we would find haha!). Facilities & Operations - Watching an idea for a new school become a reality. I have had many fun years working with really great people! Thank you all for being my friend!

Future plans: Playing as much golf as possible! Motor-homing and razor riding with my hubby in the beautiful mountains where there is no phone service! The rest of my time I will figure out as I go!!



## Gail McNeely

Final Assignment:  
Food Technician,  
Orion Junior High

Other Assignments:  
Weber High, Fremont High  
and subbed throughout  
Weber School District and  
Ogden School District

Years of Service:  
32 in Weber School District; 33 total.

Memories: I started subbing for Ogden and Weber school districts in 1990 in various school kitchens. I subbed for a year. I continued to sub in 1991. Beverly Story, the unit manager at Weber High, asked me to be a part time cook. I said yes, and that started me on my journey in the Weber School District lunchroom staff. When Fremont High school opened, I went out there as a full time employee in 1998. I worked there until Orion Junior High opened in 2003. I have spent the past 20 years at Orion. My 32 years working in lunchrooms have been fun! I have enjoyed all the ladies I have worked with, and especially the students who have been a light in my life. I will greatly miss the association with the kids!

Future plans: Retirement will be interesting, since I already have 2 job offers. I plan to spend as much time as possible with our family, dogs, horses, and 4 wheelers, in the mountains, This is where we love to be.



## Annette Piccolo

Final Assignment:  
Bus Driver #2404 for  
Snowcrest Jr. High and  
Valley Elementary

Years of Service:  
26 in Weber School  
District.

Memories: I have had the best view from my “office” windshield. I have too many memories to even start writing them down. From losing teeth, teeth growing in, new hair styles, clothes, and bookbags, and so many words of wisdom and stories from the kids on my route. I’ll give one bad story: A kindergartner was so excited to be the first one in line at the bus stop. When I was pulling up the stop, amber lights flashing, I could tell that a driver of a car coming the opposite way wasn’t paying attention. I could also see how excited the little boy was to be first. So I came to a stop, pulled the brake, put the bus in neutral and opened the door hoping the car would notice the stop arms flashing and the red lights flashing and the big yellow bus. All students are to wait before crossing or even coming to the bus until I gave them the signal. But by now, the little boy was so excited that he ran to beat all the other students that were waiting. Luckily the two didn’t meet. As the car continued through my red lights without even noticing the little boy running to the bus. The miracle was him climbing the bus stairs with a big smile and telling me he was first! I reminded all the students that day of the correct loading procedures, again! One good memory out of the many: A 1st Grade boy was telling me all about a new game he wanted to learn to play. When I finally figure out the game he was explaining was Chinese Checkers, I told him I’d teach him. He immediately told his mom he wanted to have a play date with me! There are about 10 minutes before the bell rings when I get them to school, so we played Chinese Checkers. Pretty soon I had 6 players and more kids wanting to play. One 2nd Grader was getting off the bus and turned to me and said, “Where has that game been all my life?” So cute and fun. It has been a journey!

Future plans: My future plans include spending time with my family making wonderful memories. I have a long list of “things” to do. And now I can do whatever I want, when I want. Exciting!



## Ann Richins

Final Assignment:  
Pioneer Elementary

Years of Service:  
24 in Weber School  
District.

Memories: I first entered the new Pioneer Elementary in 1966 as a 2nd grader. All my children

have attended Pioneer Elementary and now two of my grandchildren attend Pioneer Elementary. I have loved working at Pioneer for the past 24 years. I have been an aide at the school and have worked with so many wonderful children and fabulous teachers. For the last 5 years I have had the privilege of working in the office with two of the most amazing ladies, Jan Mueller and Jamie Langeveld. I will miss all of the great staff at Pioneer, but I am excited to spend more time with my sweetheart. We are planning to serve a LDS mission in the summer. I have been blessed and honored to have worked at such a great place. I love Pioneer Elementary. “Goooo Roadrunners!!



## Jim Robinson

Final Assignment:  
Maintenance Carpenter

Years of Service:  
23 1/2 in Weber School  
District.

Memories: Building and  
installing cabinets, tops,  
and bookcases with my co-  
workers in just about all the  
schools since August 1999!

Future plans: Gatherings with family and friends,  
church callings, genealogical research of some  
hard-to-find ancestors, temple attendance,  
some “honey-do’s,” walk our dogs/shelter dogs,  
gardening, healthy eating, and maybe a bit of  
travel! My sweetheart has been to Hawaii and  
would love to go again!



## Lorraine Vanderwood

Final Assignment:  
Kanesville Elementary  
Computer PLC teacher

Other Assignments:  
Para in the Reading  
Department at Kanesville;  
Business Teacher at  
Payson High and Bingham  
High School

Years of Service:  
16 in Weber School District; 18 total.

Memories: Working with the students and helping  
with their individual needs was the thing that kept  
me wanting to come to work each day. The hugs  
I’d get from the students and the many “thank  
you’s” I’d hear from them made my time in the  
WSD memorable. Not only did I enjoy working  
with the students, but working alongside the  
staff and teachers at Kanesville Elementary was  
amazing. I’m thankful for the many things that I  
learned from each one of them. The job was great,  
but my school family made it even better!

Future plans: Now that “School’s Out Forever” I  
plan to rock this time in my life that’s been labeled  
as “Retirement.” I’m looking forward to spending  
more time with my husband Rob, my kids and  
“especially my grandkids.” I’m also planning to  
travel often; build a new home; work in my yard and  
garden; and sleep in. Let the adventures begin!



## Kathy Whetton

Final Assignment:  
North Ogden Elementary

Years of Service:  
23 in Weber School  
District.

Memories: I loved working  
with the students and  
watching them grow up.

Future plans: My plans for the future are spending  
more time with family and playing with the  
grandkids. Taking more trips with our side-by-side  
and seeing more of our beautiful state.

## OTHER CLASSIFIED RETIREES

Vicki Allen

Janice Hunt

Loren Baguley

Jodie Kohler

Janice Baldwin

Jenene Martinez

Barbara Byram

Colleen Merkley

Karla Chatelain

Ann Pratt

John Coy

Jaelynn Smalley

Tammy Fowers

Kerry Talbot

Carri Hadlock

Denise Taylor

Boyd Harris

Beckie Young

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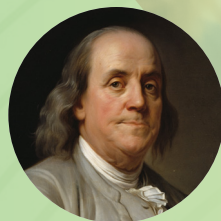
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Blake Douglas Stewart  
Kerry Alonzo Talbot

35 Wendi Kae Jorgensen  
Richard Abram Mcfarland  
Diane F Morin  
Trudy Lynn Sportsman

30 Ranel S Cox  
Karen Draper  
Arne Erik Erisoty  
Carolyn Facer  
Adrianna Griffey  
David M Hales  
Jill Ann Lunceford  
Jenene Martinez

Michele Payton  
Karla Porter  
Lynn Owen Raymond  
Joann Rich  
Amy Rice Ricks  
Robert D Thomas  
Jeri Irene Whitehead

25 Todd W Bennett  
Kenna Mae Brown  
Debbie Beatie Campbell  
Luann Rawson Crowell  
Deeann J Dearden  
Lisa Diane Defriez  
Shane Wilson Denton  
Lori L Doutre  
Scott F Elliott  
Deborah S England  
Sara Freer Etherington  
Kellie Jo Funk  
Kari Gordon  
Vickie L Grant  
Melissa Ann Hadley  
Diane J Hall  
Melissa Harrop  
Tamarah Higley  
Patrick M Huxley  
Taunya Jacobs  
Weston Stephen Johnson  
Heather Jorgensen  
Brenda Kay Keegan  
Angela Marie Larsen  
Tonnya Lones  
Sandra Kay Lott  
Julie Ann Mattson  
Kimberly Phipps Maughan  
Teresa E Nielsen  
Kirk Reed Porter  
Sandy Harwood Porter  
Ronald Virgil Rich  
Betty Y Shellabarger  
Tiffany Shulz  
Charyce Suzanne Smith  
Marci Smith  
Terrence Steven Smothers  
Mark Carl Storey  
Kirt A Swalberg  
Wendy A Taylor  
Matthew Kenneth Thorngren  
James Preston Warren  
Brandon Scott Weicks  
Dianna S Wheeler



**Benjamin Franklin** (1706-1790) was America's scientist, inventor, politician, philanthropist and business man. He is best known as one of our Founding Fathers and the only one who signed all three documents that freed America from Britain: The Declaration of Independence, The American Constitution, and The Treaty of Paris.