

Meet J.E. Prass' New Staff Members

J.E. Prass Music Teacher



Riley Bivens graduated from Capital University in 2017 with a degree in music education. He has completed 5 years teaching K-6 general music as well as beginning band, orchestra, and choir in Springfield City Schools. He will be joining Kettering as the new music teacher for J.E. Prass Elementary. Riley believes that music is cooperative, creative, fun and values helping students develop into better people as well as musicians. When he is not in the classroom; Riley enjoys playing tennis with his father, lifting weights, and playing Dungeons and Dragons with his friends. Riley is humbled and honored to begin his journey at Kettering and looks forward to working with such a wonderful music department. Welcome to the team & community Riley!

J.E. Prass First Grade Teacher

Molly Hughes graduated from the University of Dayton in 2009 with a degree in Early Childhood Education. She also obtained her 4-5 Generalist Endorsement from Ohio University in 2012 and her Masters Degree in 2015. Molly was hired in 2009 at Kettering Schools as a Title 1 Reading teacher at Greenmont Elementary. She has also taught 5th grade at Greenmont and 4th and Kindergarten at JFK Elementary. Molly attended Kettering Schools as a child and has loved coming back to teach in the district since the start of her career. Her favorite parts of teaching her students are developing a sense of community and witnessing the growth and love of learning from beginning to end of the school year. She resides in Centerville with her husband Matt and two children, Hudson and Noelle. She loves spending quality time with her family, crafting, reading, and small DIY house projects in her spare time. She is so excited to start a job share in 1st grade with an amazing teacher, Kylee Rogers, this coming school year at Prass Elementary.





J.E. Prass 4th Grade Teacher

Ann Muth has been teaching in Kettering for 30+ years. She has taught both fourth and fifth grades. Ann is passionate about teaching, her students, and the Kettering community. Along with teaching, Ann loves to take walks, bike, kayak, play pickleball and tennis, read, and spend time outdoors. She also loves family time with her husband, two grown sons, and the family pets.

J.E. Prass Paraeducator & School Aide

Liz Reeder has been an employee of Kettering City Schools since 2017 as a substitute paraeducator and this past year as a substitute teacher. She also spent time volunteering in the district prior to and during her time as a substitute. Liz loves helping students find confidence and recognize their potential. She believes every student deserves access to a nurturing educational environment where they feel cared for, so they can succeed in their education and celebrate their achievements. Liz is a resident of Kettering and lives with her husband and two children, two dogs, a cat and a hamster. Her two children attend Kettering City Schools and she loves being a part of the Kettering community. She is a nature and animal lover who enjoys playing board games and outdoor games with her children, taking walks with her family and her two dogs, exploring the area's paths and parks and gardening in her backyard wildflower garden. She looks forward to the opportunity to join the staff at J.E.Prass this fall as a paraeducator.





J.E. Prass School Aide

Chelsea Smith will be joining our staff this year as a school Aide. She was able to volunteer this past year in her daughter's room and loved helping and being involved. She is currently a full time student at Wright State University to complete her dream of becoming a teacher. Chelsea believes every school should be a safe place of fun and learning. She is a resident of the city of Kettering along with her husband Wyatt and their two daughters. Her husband has worked for the school district for a long time and her children attend Kettering City Schools as well. Chelsea enjoys spending time with her family, being active and taking family vacations. She is looking forward to joining the staff at Prass.