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Welcome back from all of us at Legacy Point Elementary. We're glad you're here!

Leader In Me

Habit #1 Be Proactive

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BE PROACTIVE

You're in charge of yourself

- I have a "can do" attitude and always try my best at everything I do.
- I follow directions and do the right things without being asked, even when nobody is looking.
- I choose my actions, attitudes, and moods and don't blame others for my wrongdoing.



20th Anniversary Celebration ~ Saturday, August 26, 2023

Lots and lots of LPE staff (past and present) and tons of families came (while the rain stayed away!) to help us celebrate 20 amazing years of Learn, Live, Love, Laugh, and Leave a Legacy!

Thank you to PTIB, staff, and families that made this day so special with games, give aways, food trucks, treats and



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From our Specialists

Sheri Searwar

Hi! My name is Sheri Searwar. This is my third year at LPE and I am so excited to be a part of the LPE family! I began as a learning specialist but switched paths to the ESL program last year and have found it so rewarding. I want the very best for your child and look forward to a year filled with excitement and learning! I meet with students in small groups, individually or in the classroom based on each child's specific needs. I have a .5 position and I will be at Legacy every day M-Th.

I have 3 kids, Jordan, Keira and Chase, as well as 2 dogs named Toby and Enzo. We love the gorgeous outdoors that Colorado has to offer! We enjoy hiking and paddle boarding, exploring new places and spending time together as a family.

I am very excited to work with each of my students and their families!

Contact: ssearwar@dcsdk12.org.

Kara Nordbye

My name is Kara Nordbye and I am the K-3 Learning Specialist. I work with small groups of students to help support their growth in the areas of reading, writing and math. I enjoy working with small groups of students because it gives me the flexibility to make learning engaging and fun by incorporating games and hands-on learning activities.

Best,

Kara Nordbye

Learning Specialist

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From our Specialists, continued

Lori Woodling:

Hi, my name is Lori Woodling and I am the Intervention Teacher at Legacy Point. I have been a classroom teacher for 17 years where I've taught Kindergarten, first, second, and third grade. I moved into the Rti role last year, so this is my second year as an Intervention Teacher. I have my Masters in Education and love learning and adding in new tools to continue to perfect my craft. I am married to Scott and we have three boys, Noah who is 19, Cameron who is 17, and Owen who is 15, and I also have a dog named Copper.

As an intervention teacher I work with small groups of students from grades 2-5 where I provide targeted instruction geared toward students' needs. I work with students in both reading and math groups. I love being able to work with students from different grade levels and in a small setting so I can get to know them and build relationships.

Lori Woodling

RTI Teacher, Legacy Point Elementary, lwoodling@dcsdk12.org

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From Essentials

Hello LPE Families!!

Welcome to the 2023-2024 School Year! I am so excited to start my 12th school year here at Legacy Point. As many of you know, we got a new gym floor over the summer. It looks so nice and makes the gym seem bigger and brighter!



Like last year all sports and activities planned for PE this year were chosen by students. We are starting the year off with fun games and then moving into kickball and football. Each day students will be asked to play by the following Mission Statement, "In PE we are respectful, responsible, safe and accepting of others."

New this year I am actually asking for students to wear tennis shoes on PE days. We had quite a few twisted ankles last year due to running and playing in crocs and flip flops. So this year I am saying no crocs, flip flops or boots in PE. Students who wear these shoes to PE may or may not get to fully participate depending on the game that is planned. This is for their safety and to keep our gym floor looking as nice as we can for as long as we can. The good news is, students have PE for a full week so it should make it easier to remember to wear tennis shoes. I will also allow students time to change their shoes at the beginning and end of each PE if they want to put tennis shoes in their backpacks.

Our Annual Fun Run is Friday, September 15th. Look for more information coming out on that great event soon!

I look forward to a great school year!

Mrs. Merritt

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From Essentials, *continued...*

Amy Long

I am so very excited to be teaching Visual Art to the students at LPE!

I get excited about LOTS of things. This is my third year at Legacy Point Elementary. The previous two years I served as Building Engineer and Custodian. Luckily for me, my tool belt, which my friends in the LPE main office gifted me last year, works just as well for art as it does for building maintenance - I'm still fixing and cleaning things daily :)



My family moved to Parker in 2015. Prior to that, I taught Visual Art at an arts-focused high school in Michigan. I graduated from Arizona State University with a Masters Degree in Visual Art. My family enjoys spending time in nature, making stuff, and we adore animals. We have a little crew of pets and we have enjoyed fostering dogs and cats over the years.

I am honored to be able to witness and support the creative and material explorations of the students at LPE. It is my goal that, along with the students, we build a space that is filled with care and respect so that we can feel safe to boldly explore - making and learning from mistakes along the way.

I'd love to share a favorite quote:

"For a seed to achieve its greatest expression, it must come completely undone. The shell cracks, its insides come out and everything changes. To someone who doesn't understand growth, it would look like complete destruction."

- Cynthia Occelli



Nick Nassimbene

STEAM is now STEM! With Mrs. Long teaching art this year I will be focusing on the STEM side of things. For those of you who might not know me, my name is Mr. Nassimbene. This is my second year teaching at LPE. I have a son in the fourth grade at LPE and a daughter at Sagewood. We started out STEM with an exploration of what STEM is and I look forward to diving more in depth into Science, Technology, Engineering, and Technology.

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Nick Nassimbene

STEM Teacher

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