



St. Celestine School

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Grade 3 – 101 – YEAR 2017-2018

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I am excited to start another school year with my St. Celestine family. My name is Michele Persico, and this will be my 13th year teaching and 2nd year at St. Celestine School. I graduated from Northeastern Illinois University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Elementary Education. My teaching experience includes teaching 3rd grade, 6th grade, 5th-8th grade history, and being a Title 1 reading and math teacher for Kindergarten – 8th grade.

I especially enjoy teaching 3rd grade, and this will be my 7th year teaching a 3rd grade class. Eight year olds are so open to learning and have much to offer. They never stop questioning the world around them. I look forward to every day with them, as no two days are the same. I cannot imagine myself working in any other profession.

I am married and have 2 amazing children. My daughter is in 8th grade, and my son is in 4th grade. Even though my kids and I are at different schools, my son thinks it's funny that he has moved on to 4th grade, but I am still in 3rd! Our family was completed when we adopted a Havanese dog we named Charlie.

My classroom is a positive learning environment where students feel nurtured, motivated, and challenged. I believe every child is capable of learning and the classroom should be structured to meet their individual needs. I plan to implement a wide variety of strategies and techniques to help all students reach their full potential.

I look forward to a wonderful and exciting school year!