

YEAR 2023-2024

Mrs. Jennifer Griffin – 4th Grade – Science - English

I am so excited to join the St. Celestine's school community after teaching at St. Bartholomew School for 13 years! I come bringing a wide variety of teaching experience, most recently teaching math and science to 3rd and 4th graders. I have a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from the University of Illinois - Chicago and a Master's degree in Teacher Leadership from Concordia University-Chicago. I have also recently completed a certificate program in Instructional Leadership from Harvard University.

In the classroom, I strive to prepare each student for actively participating in our global community. Each student is encouraged to grow socially and emotionally as well as academically. I work to help each student develop a Growth Mindset. I promote student love of learning by engaging students in activities that have real life value, are culturally responsive and incorporate student interest.

I live on the Northwest Side of Chicago (Portage Park) with my husband and my 2 college-age daughters. Not only am I a Catholic school teacher but I am a product of the Archdiocese of Chicago schools as are my husband and daughters. Outside of teaching, I love reading, hiking (especially in the National Parks), as well as getting my hands dirty in my garden and listening to the birds!