



**Hillary Lavino**

**Assignment:** Art teacher at Summit  
**Education:** JHHS graduate, bachelor's in art education and art history from University of Vermont  
**Experience:** Art Association of Jackson Hole teacher for five years  
**Philosophy:** I am in education for my love of visual art and my love of working with students. The arts encourage students to solve problems creatively, to think more abstractly. The arts also are a form of self-expression. I am excited to be working at Summit and cannot wait to get started.



**Ellery Leeds**

**Assignment:** First grade at Davey Jackson  
**Education:** JHHS graduate, bachelor's in elementary education with a dual minor in Spanish and Psychology from the University of Vermont  
**Experience:** Literacy paraprofessional at Davey Jackson for three years  
**Philosophy:** Working with children has always been a passion of mine. My constant focus is to create a welcoming, safe and positive environment for each of my students to grow and succeed in his or her own way.



**Molly Matthaei**

**Assignment:** ProStart culinary arts and hospitality management at JHHS and Summit  
**Education:** Bachelor's in public communication from University of Idaho, degree in occupational studies in the culinary arts from Le Cordon Bleu Western Culinary Institute  
**Experience:** Worked in food and beverage and hospitality for years  
**Philosophy:** I hope my students learn skills that are useful not only in their future careers but for life.



**Camille Sargent**

**Assignment:** Spanish teacher at Alta, Kelly, Moran and Wilson  
**Education:** Bachelor's from Northern Michigan University  
**Experience:** Third-grade teacher, Spanish substitute  
**Philosophy:** I love kids, and I love Spanish. Put the two together and I'm in heaven. The overarching goal is to help my students gain confidence in and have fun with Spanish language and culture.



**Jake Schell**

**Assignment:** Seventh-grade math at JHMS  
**Education:** Bachelor's in geology from University of Missouri, post-baccalaureate teacher certification from University of Wyoming  
**Experience:** Substitute teacher for Teton County School District No. 1  
**Philosophy:** Developing students' self-confidence and abilities in math is extremely important. So is developing a fundamental understanding of the content and how it may apply to each individual's life.



**Maria Sifuentes**

**Assignment:** Third-grade dual immersion at Colter Elementary  
**Education:** Masters in bilingual education from Boise State University  
**Experience:** Dual immersion teacher for seven years  
**Philosophy:** I put social emotional development at the forefront. My philosophy is teaching for social justice, critical pedagogy, a cultural worker. I am cognizant of weaving in character development in literacy. I want students to come out of our program culturally sensitive, productive and responsive.



**Sarah Theophanes**

**Assignment:** Spanish at JHHS and Summit  
**Education:** Bachelor's in education from Western Oregon University  
**Experience:** Spanish teacher in Oregon, Spanish and English teacher in Athens  
**Philosophy:** Teaching is a way to be an active positive force in the life of others. It's both taking something I know and sharing it with others, while also giving value to my students as individuals.



**Annie Tyner**

**Assignment:** Spanish at JHMS  
**Education:** Bachelor's in Spanish language and culture, master's in teaching from Southern Oregon University  
**Experience:** International foreign language education consultant for Organic World Language; taught at Ashland Middle School, Central Point High School, the Renaissance Academy  
**Philosophy:** I want my students to be stoked to come to learn with me every day, and to feel successful using a second language beyond the classroom.



**Shea Watkins**

**Assignment:** Special education/transition teacher coordinator at JHHS  
**Education:** Bachelor's in English and creative writing from Appalachian University, master's in special education from University of Wyoming  
**Experience:** Sixth- and seventh-grade language arts teacher, special education paraprofessional for one year at JHMS  
**Philosophy:** I look forward to growing with my students, teaching them skills to be successful and introducing the community to an amazing group of individuals.



**Erin Witt**

**Assignment:** Fourth-grade dual immersion at Colter  
**Education:** Bachelor's in psychology from University of Delaware, master's in elementary education from City University of New York  
**Experience:** English teacher in Germany, second- and third-grade teacher in New York City, ESL teacher at the college level  
**Philosophy:** One of my greatest accomplishments as a teacher would be to help all of my students discover and display their unique strengths.

**Not pictured:**

**Jennifer Bowles**

**Assignment:** Theater and English Language Arts at JHHS  
**Education:** Master's in theater from Florida State University  
**Experience:** Teacher for 11 years. Taught in Ohio, Wyoming and Rhode Island  
**Philosophy:** I have a strong background in blended education and arts integration across content areas. I'm looking forward to working with the students, parents and community members.

**Joshua Byrnes**

**Assignment:** Math at JHHS  
**Education:** Bachelor's in math from the University of Montana, master's in math education from the University of Montana  
**Experience:** First year as a math teacher  
**Philosophy:** I am here to try to have students succeed and appreciate the beauty of mathematics towards their future goals and accomplishments.

**Abbreviation Key:**

- Davey Jackson:** Davey Jackson Elementary School, grades K-2
- Colter:** Colter Elementary School, grades 3-5
- Wilson:** Wilson Elementary School, grades K-5
- Kelly:** Kelly Elementary School, grades K-5
- Moran:** Moran Elementary School, grades K-5
- Alta:** Alta Elementary School, grades K-5
- JHMS:** Jackson Hole Middle School, grades 6-8
- JHHS:** Jackson Hole High School, grades 9-12
- Summit:** Summit High School, grades 9-12