



Mrs. Nicole Genenbacher

Sixth Grade

1st year with St. Peter School



What I love most about St. Peter School is the community. As soon as you walk in the doors it feels like home, and I know it is the place that God wanted me to be.

I entered the teaching profession only after God challenged me during my Senior Religion class at QND to reflect on my gifts and talents and how I was using them now. It was this class that made me really take the time to reflect on where I was meant to me, and eventually led me to QU and to student teach at St. Peter School with Mrs. Erd in 5th Grade.

It is because of this experience of mine in which I had God and faith present in my schooling that I am so excited to do that same for my students. I pray daily for the success of my students and for the opportunity to positively touch their lives even in a small way.

My teaching philosophy is one of full immersion in which the students and I both are able to delve into the material and really imagine what the author was thinking, feeling, and experiencing while writing. I believe in hands on learning in

which the only way to learn is through doing. However, I am also an avid believer in spending the time learning about my students and teaching them the way that best suits the type of learner they may be.

I strive to find ways in which all my students are able to succeed in not only my classroom, but in the world. Whether this is through whole class instruction or one-on-one conferencing.

My teaching style:

I feel students learn best when they are given the opportunity to move away from the text book and are given the opportunity to put the information into real life contexts, and to explore the material.

Get to know me...

I am a graduate of QND, Blessed Sacrament, and QU where I received my B.S. in Elementary Education.

I was born and raised in Quincy along with my younger siblings.

Growing up I enjoyed spending time with my cousins at our family farm, where I was lucky enough to learn valuable wisdom from my Grandpa the late Ron Hinkamper.

In addition, I am engaged to Andrew Genenbacher. I am lucky enough that him and I believe that everything in life is an adventure and to enjoy every season of life. So we are looking forward to making our own adventure in life.