

## **Introduction to People in New Places and to New Faces on Campus for 2019-2020**

### **People in New Places**

**Angie Bielecki** is the new Chair of the Counseling Department and Doherty Learning Support Coordinator.

**Amy Francis**, formerly an administrative assistant at Lotspeich, returns to job-share with Upper's administrative assistant, Barbara Hepp.

Last January, **Vallie Freeman** became the Director of Annual Giving.

**Doherty's Julie Guminey** will be teaching in Unit II.

**Courtney LeMay** is the new Doherty Pre-Kindergarten Aide.

**Jo Schnirring** is the new Doherty Librarian.

### **New Faculty and Staff**

We are pleased to welcome new Seven Hills faculty and staff!

#### **Hughes Barber**

##### ***Middle School Physical Education Teacher***

Hughes received his B.S. in physical education, with a math concentration, and his M.A.Ed. in physical education from East Carolina University. He most recently held the position of physical education teacher at Savannah Country Day School, teaching Lower and Middle School classes. At Savannah Country Day, he also served as the head boys basketball coach, head golf coach, and assistant football coach. Hughes has also worked as a physical education teacher at schools around North Carolina, teaching elementary through high school classes. He has 15 years of teaching and coaching experience.

#### **Sarah Campbell**

##### ***Lotspeich After the Bell Program Leader***

Sarah received her Bachelor of Science in early childhood education from the University of Cincinnati. Sarah has worked with students at Maddux Elementary and Amelia High School, where she worked as a tutor and observed students, respectively. Sarah has worked with children from various age groups. She most recently held the position of server at Cock and Bull Public House, where she gained experience in guest services.

#### **Alexa Eynon**

##### ***Doherty After the Bell Program Leader***

Alexa received her bachelor's degree in English from Northern Kentucky University. She most recently held the position of substitute teacher at Great Oaks School. Alexa has also worked as a school-age and pre-school daycare teacher at Angels at Play in Amelia, where she worked with children, created lesson

plans, and supported children's social and emotional development and encouraged understanding of others and positive self-concepts.

### **Molly Franz**

#### ***Doherty Pre-Kindergarten for Two-year-olds Teacher***

Molly received her B.A. in sociology from Xavier University and is working to obtain her Master of Education in elementary education from Xavier University. She most recently held the position of substitute teacher on the Doherty Campus and office manager at a local dental office. From 2010 to 2013, she was a kindergarten teacher at Withamsville-Tobasco Elementary School, where she developed and implemented lesson plans and units for 51 kindergarten students. Molly completed her student teaching at Loveland Early Childhood Center and was a practicum teacher at Indian Hill Primary School.

### **Jordan General**

#### ***Upper School Learning Support Teacher***

Jordan received her B.A. in visual and media studies, with a minor in education, from Duke University, and her M.S. in childhood education from Ithaca College. She most recently held the position of fourth-grade social studies and science teacher at Westwood Elementary School, where she also supported language arts instruction and coached the after-school tennis program. She also student taught at schools in Ithaca, New York, completed a graduate assistantship at Ithaca College, and co-taught English as a New Language at the Camford Royal School in Zhongshan, China.

### **Jeff Grimm**

#### ***Hillsdale Campus Weekend Maintenance***

Jeff studied business management and took part in the professional pilot and air traffic control program at Allegheny Community College in Pittsburgh. He most recently held the position of general manager at Jeff Grimm Enterprise LLC, where he managed and operated a cargo and courier delivery business that serves the Cincinnati, Northern Kentucky, and Indiana area. He has also held positions at HC Nutting Company Cincinnati, Exodus Investments LLC, ALT Witzeg Company, and Coca Cola.

### **Dominick Harney**

#### ***Doherty Chef***

Dominick received his associate of applied science, professional cooking from Baltimore International College, as well as certificates in sanitation and nutrition. He most recently held the position of chef and owner of Flavor Catering and Bar Service in Blue Ash. With more than 20 years of professional cooking experience, Dominick has worked in several restaurants and schools throughout his career, including as sous chef at Maisonette/La Normandie in Cincinnati, as a line cook at Petite Garlic Restaurant in Hawaii, a child nutrition assistant at Sycamore Community School District in Cincinnati, and a childcare chef at Little Leprechaun Academy in Mason and West Chester.

### **Abbey Johnson**

#### ***Lotspeich Pre-kindergarten Teacher***

Abbey received her Bachelor of Science in education from the University of Cincinnati and her Master of Arts in mental health from Xavier University. She most recently held the position of intervention specialist at Lakota Public Schools, where she taught preschool-aged students in a collaborative learning environment. Abbey also worked as a preschool teacher at the University of Cincinnati Early

Learning Center. She is a member of the National Association for the Education of Young Children and Clark Montessori Alumni Committee.

**Samantha Krukowski**

***Part-time Upper School Art Teacher***

Samantha received her B.A. in political science from Barnard College; her M.A. from Washington University in St. Louis; her Master of Architecture from University of Texas at Austin; and her Ph.D. in art history from University of Texas at Austin. She most recently held the position of associate professor and academic coordinator for Foundations at the University of Cincinnati's College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning. She has exhibited her design and artwork around the United States and participated in several film festivals. She has received several grants and fellowships for her work. Samantha has taught courses in architecture, art and architecture history and theory, and video installation.

**Kate LaBare**

***Lotspeich Science Teacher***

Kate received her Bachelor of Science in natural resources and environment from the University of Michigan and her Master of Education from Oregon State University. She most recently held the position of outdoor education manager at Pleasant Ridge Montessori, where she created multi-disciplinary curriculum for students in pre-kindergarten through sixth grade. Kate has also held the position of education manager at Gorman Heritage Farm in Cincinnati and completed her student teacher work at schools in Eugene, Oregon. She has also participated in AmeriCorps, working as a garden assistant at an Oregon school and serving as an environmental education volunteer in New Hampshire.

**Laura OGrady**

***Lotspeich Project Math and Math Lab Teacher***

Laura received her B.A. in political communications from George Washington University, her M.A. in teaching from Lindenwood University, and completed a post-master's program in gifted education at Lindenwood University. She most recently held the position of fifth-grade teacher at West Hills Middle School in Michigan, where she developed and taught math and language arts curriculum and sponsored the school's Coding Club for fourth- to eighth-grade students. She has a background in project-based learning, student-led inquiry, and critical thinking strategies. Laura was also a presenter at the International Baccalaureate Conference in 2017, speaking on the topic of "Using Technology to Help Students Build a Growth Mindset."

**Julie Reutener**

***Middle School Administrative Assistant***

Julie received her bachelor's degree in criminal justice from the University of Cincinnati and her master's degree in criminal justice from the University of Wisconsin. She most recently held the position of assistant to the athletic director at Cincinnati Christian Schools, where she worked closely with the athletic director and completed tasks such as scheduling, maintaining facilities, and coordinating transportation. She also served as assistant to the school's public relations director from 2012 to 2013. Julie has volunteered with international charity organizations Wipe Every Tear in the Philippines and Hands and Feet in Haiti. She also served two terms on the Ohio Governor's Council on Juvenile Justice.

**Seraphine Schomber*****Lotspeich Counselor***

Seraphine received her M.A. in mental health counseling from the University of Cincinnati and her B.A. in psychology from Anderson University. She most recently held the position of school counselor at St. Bernard Academy in Nashville, Tennessee, where she worked with more than 350 students in pre-kindergarten through eighth grade to provide services for social, emotional, and behavioral development. She has also worked as a senior family counselor in Nashville and was a mental health counseling intern at Cincinnati Children's Medical Center and Oak Hills High School.

**Ann Sebastian*****Part-time Hillsdale Campus Nurse***

Ann received her B.S. in nursing from Saint Mary's College. She most recently held the position of substitute registered nurse at both Seven Hills and Saint Ursula Academy. At Seven Hills, she worked with students on the Hillsdale Campus in kindergarten through eighth grade. Ann has worked as a nurse at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus, University of Michigan Hospitals, and the Jewish Hospital in Cincinnati, working with pediatric and emergency patients. She has also volunteered her time teaching first aid and infant safety to new mothers.

**Jennifer Steller*****Lotspeich Fifth-grade Teacher***

Jennifer received her B.S. in middle childhood education, mathematics and social studies, from the University of Cincinnati. She most recently held the position of middle school multi-tiered support systems math coordinator and educator at North College Hill Middle School, where she served as lead math learning specialist, among other duties. She also worked in the district as a fifth-grade math and social studies teacher for four years. Jennifer is a member of the University of Cincinnati Math Equity Group, the Ohio Council of Teachers of Mathematics, the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, and the Southwest Ohio Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

**Marcus Twyford*****Upper School Computer Science Teacher***

Marcus received his Bachelor of Science in education from the University of Tennessee. He most recently held the position of computer science and engineering faculty member at Cincinnati Country Day School, where he taught Upper School computer science courses, including AP classes, and started a makerspaces program at the school. Marcus also worked at Mother of Mercy High School as the chair of the business and technology department. Marcus is a member of the board of directors of the INTERalliance of Greater Cincinnati, CET Educational Technology Planning Committee, and was the president of the Ohio Computer Science Teachers Association from 2016 to 2019.

**Carolyn Vincze*****Doherty School Nurse***

Carolyn received her B.S. in nursing and her B.S. in biological sciences from Wright State University. She currently holds the position of registered nurse in the outpatient urgent care unit at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, where she treats patients and facilitates daily operations. Carolyn has an extensive background in nursing and health. She has worked as a nurse in the emergency department at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center. She has also worked in the Warren Country Combined Health District as an epidemiologist and disease investigator and a public health environmentalist.

**Annie Worobetz**

***Development Office Donor Relations and Stewardship Manager***

Annie, who began working at Seven Hills in February 2019, received her B.S. in honors economics and a B.A. in secondary education (social studies) from Purdue University. She most recently held the position of writer, social media coordinator, and executive assistant to the director of development at Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, where she developed and composed materials for electronic and print media, provided support to the director of development, and managed the organization's social media presence. She has also held positions as a microcomputer network coordinator, customer support representative and trainer, and high school teacher.