

# Welcome New Teachers to USD 212



**Emily Lowry**  
*Fifth-Eighth Math and Social Studies*

A first year teacher, Emily Lowry will be teaching 5 through 8 math and social studies for Northern Valley. From Prairie View, Emily graduated from Fort Hays State University with degrees in secondary education and mathematics. She and her husband, Calvin, have five children, Talia, Eli, Damian, Kim and Caden. Her hobbies include reading and traveling to her children's activities.



**Dani Wuest**  
*K-12 Vocal*

A Norton Community High School graduate, Dani Wuest will be teaching K-12 vocal music for Northern Valley schools. She attended the University of Nebraska at Kearney and, after college, taught elementary music in Holdrege, Neb. for one year. When she isn't working, Dani enjoys spending time with her curious and playful bassett, Odimus.



**Kelly Taylor**  
*Inter-Related Teacher*

Originally from Yates Center, Kelly Taylor is the new Inter-related teacher at Northern Valley. After high school, she studied Elementary Education at Kansas State University, then taught two years of Kindergarten and two years of First Grade in Derby, Kelly was married to her husband, Justin, this summer and moved to Phillipsburg. Kelly's hobbies include cooking and spending time in her hammock.



**Karla Funk**  
*4-12 Instrumental Band*

Originally from Salina, Karla Funk is the new 4-12 Instrumental Band teacher at Northern Valley. She grew up in Salina and, after high school, she attended Bluffton University in Bluffton, Ohio where she studied Music Education, Performance and Ministry. When she isn't working, Karla enjoys reading and playing with her puppy, Winnie.



**Cheryl Roberts**  
*Pre K-4 Title I Teacher*

Bringing a lot of experience to the position, Cheryl Roberts is the PreK-4 Title I teacher for Northern Valley. A Norton native, Cheryl's college experience includes studying at Fort Hays State University and, since graduating, she has taught in Salina, Ellis, Norton and Northern Valley. Cheryl's hobbies include quilting and reading and her children are Ryan, Aaron and Trevor, all Norton Community High School graduates.

# Welcome Back to School!



**ALMENA AND  
LONG ISLAND**

# USD 212 Northern Valley



**Bonnie Palmer**  
*Title I Teacher*

Born and raised in southeast Kansas, Bonnie Palmer is the new Title I teacher for Northern Valley, based at the Long Island Middle School. She is a 2010 graduate of Pittsburg State University where she studied Education. Last year, she taught second grade in Liberal and has now joined the ranks at Northern Valley. Bonnie and her husband, Buzz, have three children, Chad, Rachel and Nick, and three grandchildren, CJ, Ben and Olivia.

# Meet the Newest Additions to Norton Unified School District 211



**Stephanie Kramer**  
*Pre-School/Early Childhood*



**Jordan Kinsey**  
*High School Band*



**Amber Horwart**  
*Fifth and Sixth Grade Reading*



**Sunshine McEwen**  
*Third Grade*



**Megan Bremmer**  
*Fourth Grade*



**Heather Peterson**  
*High School English*



**Libby Nickelson**  
*First Grade*



**Jennifer Ruder**  
*Elementary Music*



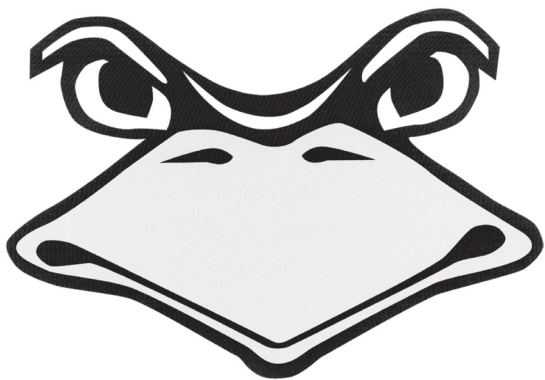
**James Warner**  
*High School Spanish*



**Lindsay Krier**  
*Fourth Grade*



**Dustin McEwen**  
*Junior High School Principal  
7-12 Athletic Director*



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YOU ARE BLUE JAYS!"**

# USD 211 Norton Schools

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