Who I Am...



WENDY HOLMAN is a 7th grade

science teacher at Liberty Memorial Central Middle School in Lawrence, Kansas.

Wendy began teaching at LMCMS in 2019, but has worked as an informal or formal educator for many years. Before moving to Lawrence in 2017, she taught 7th grade science in Anchorage, Alaska. She loves teaching because she loves getting to know her students and sharing how cool science is with them!

Wendy was born and raised in rural Nova Scotia, Canada and moved to the United States in 2012. She loves snakes and dogs and spending time outside. She lives in Lawrence with her partner, Luke, and all kinds of pets!

She went to Acadia University in Nova Scotia, Canada and graduated in 2009 with a Bachelor of Science in Biology with Honours. In 2012, she moved to Alaska and enrolled

in Alaska Pacific University where she received her teaching certification.

What Is APPLES?

APPLES stands for Arctic Plant Phenology--Learning Through Engaged Science, but what does that really mean? APPLES prepares educators to use polar research to engage their students in similar studies in the classroom. Educators in this project will have access to, contribute to, and disseminate information from the long-term and ongoing research project which focuses on changes in the phenology of arctic plants and how this relates to climate change. APPLES will demonstrate, through training, the results obtained by phenological observation and experimentation.



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Please update this document throughout the year by adding additional pictures, links to sample lessons, and information that will enhance your story of the APPLES experience and classroom implementation. The most recent story should appear at the top of the document.

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