

Who I Am...Heather Gomez

is a 7th-12th grade teacher at Geronimo High School in Geronimo, OK.

I just completed my 12th year of teaching. Asking me what I teach is a multifaceted question. I teach in a rural district. Our school has about 100 students in 7th- 12th grade, total. I am the special education director, a certified reading specialist, whose full heart loves to teach middle school math, but has also been dabbling in teaching science the past three years. I am the mother of two amazing kiddos, both of which I have the honor of teaching in my very own classroom. My daughter (pictured above) will be a sophomore, and my son will be in 7th grade. I am excited to learn more about ways to educate my students on the subject of climate change.



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.



Research and Activity Journal

Summer 2021

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Your personal Google Doc Story will help us tell others through our website about the incredible work that you do as a teacher. It's a great tool to see what other teachers are working on as well!

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.

This document will be linked to your name on the APPLES webpage. Since it is viewable by the public on the Internet, please comply with federal and school guidelines for posting pictures of students and others. We look forward to updates of your incredible APPLES story!

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