Nick Hooper - Learner Support Specialist

My name is Nick Hooper, and I am excited to be joining Riverview Elementary as a Learner Support Specialist this fall.

I grew up in North Dakota and earned my undergraduate degree from the University of North Dakota and my master's degree from Baruch College in New York City. I've spent the past 20 years working in education in a variety of roles, and I've been fortunate to work with some amazing students, families, and educators along the way.

When I'm not at school, you'll usually find me on a golf course, looking through baseball cards, or spending time with family and friends. I also have a cat named Bridget who definitely believes she's in charge of the house.

One of the things that drew me to Farmington was its small-town feel and strong sense of community. From my very first interactions, everyone was incredibly welcoming, and it felt like a place where people genuinely care about one another. That made me even more excited about the opportunity to join the Riverview team.

I look forward to meeting students, families, and staff and becoming part of the Riverview community. I'm excited for a great year ahead!



Brooke Scanlon - Special Education Paraprofessional

Hello! My name is Brooke Scanlon, and I am excited to be joining the Riverview Elementary team this fall as a special education paraprofessional. I earned my Master's degree in Early Childhood Education and have spent many years working with children as both a teacher and a coach. Helping children learn, grow, and build confidence has always been my passion, and I am looking forward to supporting students and collaborating with the wonderful staff at Riverview.

I live in Farmington with my husband, Joe. We have two adult children, both Farmington graduates, who keep us incredibly proud and busy. Our daughter Brianna, is beginning her second year at the University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire, where she plays lacrosse. Our son Drew, has enlisted in the Marine Corps and currently is in boot camp in San Diego. Outside of work, I enjoy reading, camping, taking walks, and spending quality time with family and friends. I am thrilled to begin this new chapter and can't wait to get to know the students, families, and staff. I look forward to building positive relationships and helping create a supportive, encouraging environment where every child can succeed.



Dallas Cordahl - Special Education Teacher

My name is Dallas Cordahl, and this will be my 4th year teaching special education. I completed my undergraduate degree in Elementary Education in Colorado and my graduate degree in Special Education through the University of St. Thomas. I live with my wife, Claire, who is also an educator, and our two cats, Franny and Topanga. We love to spend time outside, read, draw, cook, and travel.

As a teacher, my goal is to create an open and caring space where children feel comfortable and supported in their learning. I do what I do because I believe every child has the right to an education that meets their needs. I'm excited to continue this work at Riverview and collaborate with others who share the belief that all students with different abilities are valuable to the learning community and deserve an equitable education. I'm looking forward to being part of a team of educators who are making learning meaningful and impacting the growth of all students.



Jake Cochnauer - Special Education Teacher

My name is Jake Cochnauer, and I recently graduated from the University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire. I am thrilled to be joining the Riverview team as a teacher this year! This opportunity is especially meaningful because Riverview is the school I attended growing up, making this a true full-circle moment.

I am incredibly grateful to become part of such a welcoming and supportive community once again, and I am excited for the opportunity to give back to the school that played such an important role in my own education. Outside of school, I enjoy spending time with my family, golfing, and traveling to watch my brother play football.

I can’t wait to meet the students, families, and staff, and I am looking forward to a fantastic school year at Riverview!



Catherine Lewis - Special Education Paraprofessional

Hi, my name is Catherine Lewis. I am excited to be joining the Riverview family as a para professional. I was born and raised in Oklahoma, graduating from the University of Oklahoma with a Masters in Social Work. I worked as a licensed clinical social work provider for 36 years before I made the decision to retire. Of course retirement does not mean I don't work – it simply means I get to do something I will really enjoy and have fun, while still working with others.

I moved to Farmington with my daughter and granddaughter in June of this year. I am enjoying the Minnesota weather and overall environment. In my free time, I enjoy fixing up and decorating the house, crocheting and getting back into working with stained glass. I am raising my 10 year old granddaughter who is very good at keeping life entertaining.

I am so excited to be joining Riverview Elementary and look forward to what the school year brings.



Alison Robinson - Speech Language Pathologist

Hello! My name is Alison Robinson, and I'm excited to be joining the Riverview special education team as a speech-language pathologist. I've been an SLP since 2007 after graduating from the University of Wisconsin–Madison, and I've had the opportunity to work with children and adults in medical, school, and teletherapy settings.

I grew up in rural southeastern Minnesota and love spending time outdoors with my family. My husband and I recently celebrated our 20th wedding anniversary by hiking in Yosemite and Sequoia National Parks. When I'm not at work, you'll usually find me keeping up with our two boys (ages 9 and 12) and two King Charles Cavaliers! I'm looking forward to getting to know Riverview's students and families, helping children build confidence in their communication skills, and being part of such a caring school community.



Christine Schnaser - 4th Grade Teacher

Hello! My name is Christine Schnaser and I am excited to be joining the teaching staff at Riverview Elementary! I have a passion for working with students and watching them grow academically, socially, and emotionally! Over the years I have had a variety of teaching positions including Elementary and Secondary Director, classroom teacher, Title 1 teacher and Literacy Coach. My husband and I are empty nesters with our daughter living in Minnesota, and a son living out of state. In my spare time, I enjoy reading, birdwatching, traveling, walking/hiking, and spending time with family and friends. This will be my fourth year teaching in the Farmington District and I am excited to meet the staff and students this Fall.



Laurie Kelley - Learning Coach (Math Lead)

My name is Laurie Kelley and this is my 17th year in education. For the past 8 years I have served as the instructional coach in Faribault. My previous experience includes being a Title 1 and kindergarten teacher in California and Minnesota. I live in Northfield with my partner Jeff and two little girls named Irie and Luella. We love to camp and bike in the summer and will be adding a new puppy into our family this fall as well! I am so excited to get to know each and every teacher and student at Riverview. Teaching and learning is my passion and I am looking forward to collaborating this year!



Hannah Lushanko - Special Education Paraprofessional

My name is Hannah, and I am so excited to be joining the team as a paraprofessional and to meet everyone at Riverview Elementary! I've always been drawn to helping children grow and providing a positive and safe environment for them. I can't wait to work alongside such a great team and make this a wonderful school year for all the kids!

A little about me: I come from a large, loving family: I have 6 siblings, 5 brothers and 1 sister! In my free time I love spending time with my family & friends, I enjoy the outdoors, swimming, camping, and I absolutely love coloring & art as well; my favorite color is purple! My favorite season is summer, but I love fall as well. Thank you so much for taking the time to read a little bit about me!



Katelyn Haes - 3rd Grade Long Term Sub

Hello! My name is Katelyn Haes, and I am so happy to be joining the Riverview Elementary community as the new long- term sub in third grade. I'm truly grateful for the opportunity, and I'm so
excited to meet and get to know the great Riverview community .

I graduated from the University of Wisconsin–Stout with a degree in Early Childhood Education, where I built a strong foundation in child development, and classroom management. As I begin this new chapter, I look forward to building relationships across grade levels and bringing positivity, flexibility, and care into every classroom I enter. I also love finding ways to connect with students in and out of the classroom.

Outside of school, I enjoy reading, cooking, and working out.



Colleen Rubio - Special Education Paraprofessional

Hello Riverview families! My name is Colleen Rubio and I'm so excited to be joining the Riverview community this year as a special education paraprofessional. I feel incredibly lucky to work alongside such an amazing team and to get to know all of the wonderful students and families.

For nearly 20 years, I've taught various styles of dance to students ages 2 and up. One of my greatest passions is helping children discover their strengths by making learning fun and engaging. I love celebrating each child's growth and helping them work toward their goals in a positive environment.

I grew up in Chicago but now proudly call Minnesota home. My husband and I have three amazing daughters and a dog named Nori. When I'm not at school, you can usually find me gardening, reading a good book, baking something delicious, or creating colorful sidewalk chalk art.

I'm looking forward to a wonderful year at Riverview Elementary!



Amy Jorgensen - Special Education Paraprofessional

Hello Riverview families and staff! My name is Amy Jorgensen, and I am so excited to be joining the Riverview Elementary team as a paraprofessional this school year! I recently moved to Lakeville from Wisconsin to be closer to family and am thrilled to become part of the Farmington community. After many years caring for and advocating for family members with disabilities, I feel incredibly grateful for the opportunity to support students and help them grow both academically and emotionally.

I have five adult children and two wonderful dogs who keep me active and entertained. In my free time, I enjoy decorating and organizing spaces, spending time with family, taking walks, and finding creative ways to make everyday life a little brighter. I also love learning new things and believe there's always an opportunity to grow.

What excites me most about Riverview is the chance to build meaningful relationships with students and be part of a team that helps every child feel safe, valued, and capable of success. I truly believe every student has unique strengths, and I look forward to encouraging them, celebrating their accomplishments, and helping make school a positive place where they can thrive. I can't wait to meet everyone and begin this exciting new chapter!



Bri Froehling - School Nurse

Hi, my name is Bri! I'm the new building nurse at Riverview. I have a bachelor's degree in Health and Wellness Promotion from UNC-Asheville and a master's degree in Nursing from Elmhurst University. My past experience includes health coaching, pre/post-anesthesia care, observation unit, and ER.

I'm excited to work with kiddos and provide a welcoming, safe, and supportive space for students/staff. I'm also very grateful for the opportunity to work close to home, especially since my daughter, Kenny, is starting preschool in the district this year!

Outside of work, we enjoy all things sports, traveling, and spending time outdoors. I can't wait to meet everyone and looking forward to a great school year!



Darsi McIsaac - Media Para

Hi, my name is Darci McIsaac. I am very excited to be joining Riverview as the new media paraprofessional. I was raised as an Army kid, living in Germany, Colorado, Alaska, and Missouri. I graduated from Missouri Southern State University with a BA in Psychology. Over the past 25+ years I have worked for Target, Old Navy, the Department of Veterans Affairs and most recently focused my time as a stay-at-home mom. In my free time, I love to spend time with my family of 3, my husband Aaron and daughter Avery, reading, traveling, and looking for new experiences for us to enjoy.

Having my daughter attend Riverview for six years, being a member of the Parent Teacher Partnership (PTP) and book fair committee for two years, and having had the opportunity to serve as a substitute paraprofessional for the past two years, I have become familiar with the school community and have greatly enjoyed working with its students, staff and parents. I understand the importance of creating a welcoming, structured, and positive environment for students while adapting to the needs of different age groups and learning styles. I am particularly drawn to the opportunity to support students in developing a love of reading, learning and exploration.

