

Valentine Hills Specialist Team



Mrs. Beth Bentley
Design Specialist (grade 1)

My name is Beth Bentley. I'm new to Valentine Hills and am excited to work with 1st grade students as a Design Specialist Teacher. We'll be involved in hands-on building activities that help first graders to grow and develop as creative problem solvers. Students will ask questions, imagine solutions, plan, create and make improvements to what they have created.

Mrs. Dana Kappes
Physical Education Specialist

My name is Dana Kappes and I am excited to be back at Valentine Hills for my 5th year as your Physical Education Teacher. I have been teaching PE for 12 years. I am ready to see so many of you returning and wonderful new faces as well. I am looking forward to continuing our progress and watching you grow through PE, as well as, introducing many new skills and games throughout the year.



Mx. Alissa McCourt
Art Specialist

My name is Mx. Alissa McCourt and I am excited to be the Art Specialist for grades 1-5. This is my first year at Valentine Hills and I am looking forward to being a part of this community. Through the visual arts, students will learn to envision, observe, take risks, develop skills, and express themselves.

Mrs. Lia Rieke
Science Specialist

My name is Lia Rieke and I am the Science Specialist. I've been teaching at Valentine Hills a very long time and I'm excited to see so many familiar faces as well as new faces this year. I can't wait to teach your child new and interesting topics in science.





Mr. Jamey Vavra
Music Specialist

My name is Jamey Vavra and I am excited to join the Valentine Hills family this year as the Music Specialist. I will be working with all learners in grades 1-5 as we grow in music through singing, saying, dancing, and playing. We will listen, play, improvise, and compose in a variety of contexts during the year, and there will also be opportunities for co-curricular music making (consider signing up for choir if you're in 4th or 5th grade - yes, you!).

Ms. Joan Wolf
Technology Specialist

My name is Joan Wolf and I am coming back to Valentine Hills as the Technology Specialist for grades 1 - 5. I can hardly wait to show students the really cool tech things I learned this summer! I'm looking forward to another year of learning, growing, and exploring. See you soon!

