

This week we shine the Spotlight on members of our Instructional Support Team



Meet some of our Instructional Support Team

Pictured Left to Right: (Front Row) Carolina Weiss: School Psychologist, Hannah Conger: Speech Pathologist, Mary Dermos: School Nurse (previously introduced!) Olga West, Learning Behavior Specialist (previously introduced!) (Back Row) Bonnie Crement: Learning Behavior Specialist & Student Services (previously introduced!), Emily Padilla: English Language Learner Teacher, Laura Loehmann: Social Worker, Sara Wszolek: Math Specialist, Mary Spragg: Reading Specialist, Kristen Reichel: Learning Behavior Specialist (previously introduced!), Emily Liszka: Learning Behavior Specialist (previously introduced!)

Hello! My name is Sara Wszolek, and I am the Math Specialist at Maplebrook. This is my 2nd year at Maplebrook and 21st year teaching. I received my undergraduate degree in Elementary Education from Eastern Illinois University and received my Master's degree in Educational Leadership from Northeastern Illinois University. I enjoy spending time with my husband, Matt, and our three boys, Carter, Aiden, and Eli. Our boys keep us very busy with their sports; however with any extra free minutes I love running and being outside.

Greetings! My name is Mary Spragg, and I have been the Reading Specialist here at Maplebrook for 18 years of my 32 years teaching. I received my undergraduate degree in elementary education and Spanish and my master's degree in literacy, from the University of Iowa. I completed my Ph.D. at National Louis University in linguistics, language and literacy. I have 3 grown boys and my husband Todd has been a dentist here in Naperville for over 25 years. I am a yogi and love to hike and be outside.

Hi Maplebrook Family! My name is Emily Padilla, and I am the K-5 English Language Learner teacher at Maplebrook. I am happy to share that this is my twelfth year in District 203. I received my Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education at North Central College and my Master's degree in reading at Concordia University. I enjoy traveling, spending time with family and my dog, visiting my family's farm, and going on walks in my neighborhood. I look forward to building relationships here at Maplebrook and creating wonderful memories!

Hello! My name is Laura Loehmann. I have been a school social worker for 22 years and have been at Maplebrook for 15 of these years. I completed my undergraduate and graduate work at Aurora University. When I am not at school, I am busy at home with my 12 year old son, Henry and 6 year old daughter, Hazel. My husband and I love spending time watching our kids in baseball, golf, gymnastics and soccer. We also spend a lot of time with extended family and friends.

Hello! My name is Carolina Weiss, and I am the school psychologist at Maplebrook for all EC-5 students! This is my 2nd year working at Maplebrook and 4th year as a school psychologist! I received my bachelors from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and both my masters and specialist degree from The Chicago School of Professional Psychology! My family immigrated to the US from Cali, Colombia when I was 6 years old and since both of my parents are educators, I fell in love with the field! Outside of school, I enjoy reading, and going for walks with my husband and fur baby!

Hi Maplebrook families! My name is Hannah Conger, and I am the Speech-Language Pathologist at Maplebrook for all K-5 students as well as for one of our Early Childhood classrooms. This is my sixth year working at Maplebrook and in District 203. Like many others, I was a 203 graduate (Elmwood-Lincoln-Central) and have enjoyed the opportunity to return to work in such a wonderful community. I received both my Bachelor's and Master's degrees from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (ILL!). Outside of school, I enjoy coaching swimming, reading, and spending time outdoors.

Hi Maplebrook families! My name is Stephanie Schreiner, and I am the Occupational Therapist at Maplebrook this year. This is my sixth year in District 203 and my 15th year as a school based OT. I am also a 203 graduate (Kingsley-Lincoln-NCHS). I received my undergraduate and graduate degree in OT at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. I enjoy spending time with my husband, Matt, and our two kids—a daughter (Aria) who is in 5th grade and a son (Raylan) in third grade at another local school. Most of our time outside of school is spent on sports, but I enjoy kayaking and reading as well!

Hello Maplebrook families. My name is Justine Halama and I am the physical therapist at Maplebrook. I was a case worker and an adoption specialist prior to going back to school for PT. I have been a PT for 22 years, the majority of it in pediatrics. I went back to school to get my doctorate 6 years ago. I have been in the district for 9 years. I have 3 wonderful children and a supportive husband. Outside of school, I enjoy reading, scrapbooking, traveling and going to shows.

Hello, my name is Michelle Olivarez-O'Shea and I am the Multilingual Student Service Coordinator. I work with the early childhood classroom educators. This is my first year with Naperville 203. I received my Bachelors from Illinois State University in Early Childhood Education with a Special Education approval, a Master's in Literacy from St. Francis University, my second Master's in administration and curriculum at Olivet Nazarene University and additional endorsements and coursework from various other universities in bilingual education, dyslexia, and literacy. I am entering my 22nd year in education. I look forward to cultivating relationships in Naperville 203.



Hi Maplebrook families! My name is Anita Strassman and I am a Speech-Language Pathologist in Ms. Lara's preschool class. I worked with this class last year and I am excited to return this year!! I have worked as a Speech-Language Pathologist for over 30 years and 20 of those years in the Naperville Schools! I received my Bachelor's degree at Elmhurst College and my Master's at University of Illinois. Outside of school my husband and I enjoy spending time with family, traveling, reading, and crafting!