

All About Dr. Mangan & Ms. Rinker

Hello Team Tornadoes!

We are excited for another great year. We know middle school can be challenging, but we are here to help you along the way. Below you will find more information about the both of us.

All About Dr. Mangan:

My name is Dr. Mangan and I am a 6th grade teacher at Springhouse Middle School. I am starting my 15th year of teaching, but this is my 3rd year at Springhouse as I taught at Cetronia Elementary School for 12 years.

I received my bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Clearwater Christian College, my master's degree from Wilkes University in Classroom Technology, and my doctorate in Education Technology Management from Northcentral University.

I have a passion for using high quality technology in the classroom and seeing how it impacts students. Whether it is Flipgrid, Google Docs, Schoology, PhotoPeach, Poll Everywhere, PowToons etc...I love how technology makes learning engaging.

When I am not teaching I love spending time with my family. My wife's name is Trisha and we have two children Cierra who is 11 and Connor who is 9. Since I grew up in Columbus, OH I am a big Ohio State Football fan. I also like to exercise and read non-fiction books.

I count it a privilege to be your teacher and I am looking forward to a great year!

All About Ms. Rinker:

Hi, my name is Ms. Rinker and I have been a teacher for 20+ years. I started my career at Ironton Elementary School, then went to Orefield Middle School, then went to Jaindl Elementary in 2nd grade for a few years, and I am now back in 6th grade at Springhouse. I just came back from a 2-year leave-of-absence, and it feels great to be back!

I received my bachelor's degree in Biology and Chemistry from Cedar Crest College. I was employed as a Chemist at Air Products in Trexlertown for a while, but it never made me happy. I never was fortunate enough to have my own children, so, at that point in my life I chose to become a teacher. I received my Masters degree and earned my teacher certification from Lehigh University. I also hold a teaching certificate in Middle School Math.

When I'm not teaching I'm usually spending time with my immediate family and my two mini-Dachshunds, Luey and Karlie. I bought a home in July and have been busy renovating and decorating. I love planting vegetables in my garden as well as planting flowers and blooming

shrubs all around my house. I especially love hydrangeas and roses. I also am a very good cook and baker and find great joy making someone a great meal with dessert! I love swimming and going to the beach in the summer and watching Minnesota Vikings football in the fall. For college football I'm an Ohio State fan, and for college basketball I follow the North Carolina Tar Heels. Oh, and you can ask your child what my favorite color is!

I have a passion for teaching in the Middle School. I love the age group and enjoy the way they think. I hope your child enjoys being in my classroom, because I sure enjoy them being there. I hope that I can help them to grow as an individual and to guide them down their academic path to success. I look forward to spending time with your child.