

# Spring Wood Middle School

## Explorers Teachers!



### INTRODUCTION

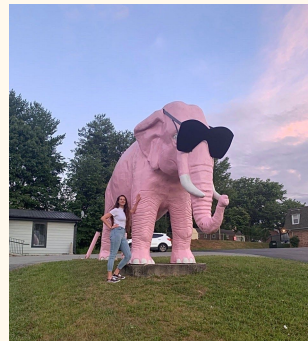
The Explorers classes include Art, Band, Music, and STEM. These classes offer unique and interesting hands on learning opportunities for our students to divulge deep into the content of Art, Music and STEM. Band students will have band all year. Art, Music, and STEM classes change each trimester. We always feel like the most fortunate Team, as we get to watch the tremendous growth and progress of our students, both academically, physically and socially as well!



Mrs. Scoles- Art



Mr. Hellyer- Band



Ms. Moore- Music



Mrs. Singh- STEM

### Mrs. Scoles- Art

**Weekly Recap:** This week was so fun, watching the students create their Digital Portfolio Cover Photos. All work was done digitally, and many learned cool new ways to add depth, dimension and other fun effects to their images in Google Slides. I have so enjoyed seeing their work evolve and all of the personal interest images they have included in thier artwork to make it personal to them.

**Ask Your Charger:** What were some of the personal interest images you selected for your Digital Portfolio Cover Photo? You can even have them show you it in Google Classroom!

## Mr. Hellyer- Band

**Weekly Recap:** Band students have been working on selecting a solo out of “Essential Elements” to record as a playing test this week. These short excerpts will give me an idea of each child’s current ability level and perception of ability level. This is the stepping stone towards each student getting a FULL SOLO later on this month!

**Ask Your Charger:** to play their solo out of “Essential Elements” for you!

## Ms. Moore- Music

**Weekly Recap:** This week music students continued on their music genre exploration. Students listened to a wide variety of music, and learned about genres they were unfamiliar with. We ended the week with a song presentation and a music scavenger hunt!

**Ask Your Charger:** about their song presentation!

## Mrs. Singh- STEM

**Weekly Recap:** This week we worked on digital posters that the students designed and created using Google Draw. We shared them with our classmates. We also learned new ways to share ideas using new apps for remote learning like Jamboards.

**Ask Your Charger:** to share their digital poster with you.

## Explorer Shout-Outs: This weeks featured characteristic is “Helpfulness”

**6th Grade:** Zachary Kuban (band) is constantly helping both his classmates and teachers as we all learn how to navigate our new learning platforms. He is able to express what is not working and how to fix it in a very respectful manner. Thanks for the help, Zachary! Keep it up!

**7th Grade:** Katia Begaj (art) has been an amazing co-teacher of sorts so far in our new Zoom learning environment!! :) She has been quick on her feet to help in anyway she can, with coaching myself and other students with great technological tips! I also appreciate her helpfulness in so many other ways, especially as my time keeper, letting me know how much time there is left in class, which helps my pacing! Thank you Katia, for being so helpful!!!!

**8th Grade:** Drew Strahan (music) has always been knowledgeable and helpful when it comes to technology. He is willing to share a “how to” or a “shortcut” on this new remote learning platform. Thank you Drew for sharing thoughtful tips with your class and your teachers!

**Overall Charger Champion:** Alena Beganovic- STEM She is always willing to help her classmates in all situations. When the Zoom connection was lost, I had no connection, and she helped guide the students back into the classroom using her own computer.

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Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns throughout the school year! We look forward to working with your student!

Sincerely,

**The Explorers Team**