

My name is Penny Graham and I am so excited to teach first grade at Rudy Elementary. This is my fifth year at Rudy. I spent my first year teaching second grade and the last three years teaching first. My family and I moved to Colorado Springs from Wisconsin three years ago. I absolutely love living in Colorado and wished I had moved here sooner! I am married and three wonderful daughters: Alaina (20), Sydney (17), and Nora (13). I graduated from Ripon College in Ripon, Wisconsin with a degree in Elementary Education in addition to a Bachelor's degree in Sociology and Anthropology. I also earned a Master's degree in Educational Leadership from the University of Wisconsin—Oshkosh. I am in my twenty-third year of teaching. I taught Title I Reading for one year, second grade for one year, and first grade for 20 years. I enjoy teaching in the lower elementary grades. The growth they make from the beginning to end of the year is amazing to witness. My classroom is a busy place full of learning each and every day. When I am not teaching, I enjoy golfing, taking long walks with my yellow lab, Phineas, reading, and watching movies with my family.