

**WATAUGA COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOONE, NORTH CAROLINA**

**March Personnel Report
Board Meeting – March 10, 2025**

Resignations

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Eric Breitenstein	WHS	Science Teacher	Other Employment (4/4/2025)
Katie Gray	WHS	Science Teacher	Other Employment (3/5/2025)
Leslie Howser	Blowing Rock	Kindergarten Teacher	Retirement (7/1/2025)
Richard Ploszaj	Parkway	Bus Monitor & Bus Driver	Termination (2/6/2025)
Emma Willard	Green Valley	Middle Grades Teacher	Continue Education (6/30/2025)

Certified Personnel

New Employment

Whitni Freeman	WHS	Temporary Science Teacher
Ms. Freeman earned a Bachelor’s degree in Wildlife Biology from Lees-McRae College in 2012. Whitney was been employed as a Wildlife biologist and maintenance Technician at Arthur’s Wildlife Wrangler in Avery County from 2013 until 2015. She was a Service Technician at Serenity USA in Wisconsin from September 2019 until May 2020. Ms. Freeman has also worked as a Veterinary Assistant at Ascent Veterinary Health in Lenoir and as a Chemical Analyst at SIBELCO. Whitney will apply for a North Carolina Professional Educator’s Certificate in the area of 00300 – Science (grades 9-12).		

Classified Personnel

New Employment

Addison Aldridge	County-Wide	After School Substitute
Lauren Carpenter	Parkway	Itinerant After School Program Coordinator
Chad Cole	Cove Creek	Substitute Bus Driver
Nechelle “Naomi” Hayes	Cove Creek	After School Group Leader
Karen Hopper	WHS	Temporary EC Teacher Assistant
Annalise Slough	Cove Creek	After School Group Leader

Transfer of Assignment

<u>Name</u>	<u>Current Assignment</u>	<u>New Assignment</u>
Linzy Gall	After School Program Coordinator at Parkway	After School Substitute

Extended Employment for Remainder of 2024-2025 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>Current Assignment</u>	<u>Employment Extension</u>
Evelyn Bacharach	Temporary Teacher Assistant at Parkway	Bus Monitor at Parkway

Substitute Teachers

Name

Erik Bate
Matthew Denney
Cole Elledge
Martha Godwin*
David Hollis
Jennifer Lacy*
Jeffrey Nash
Paula Presnell
Isaac Robinson

Education

High School Diploma
Bachelor's Degree
Master's Degree
Master's Degree
Master's Degree
Bachelor's Degree
Bachelor's Degree
Master's Degree
Associate's Degree

Experience

Club Wrestling Coach
Stage Manager for Children's Theatre Summer Camp
Teacher Assistant at ASU
Teacher & School Administrator in Avery County
JROTC Instructor in Ashe County
Retired WCS Grade 4 Teacher
Retired Minister
Previous WCS Grade 4 Teacher
PE Assistant in McDowell County

Long-Term Substitutes

Amanda Brown
Meg Putnam
Sydney Taylor

Blowing Rock
Parkway
Valle Crucis

Middle Grades Math
School Counselor
Kindergarten

Hospital Homebound List

Emily Scheuerman

Hardin Park

Exceptional Children