

Dear St. Anne Parents,

My name is Hayley Atkins Reeves, and I am honored to be named the new Assistant Principal of St. Anne Catholic School. Being a native of Beaumont, an alumna of St. Anne, and a graduate of Monsignor Kelly High School, having the opportunity to return to St. Anne is a dream come true for me. In addition, I received my bachelor's degree, post-Baccalaureate teaching certificate, and Master of Education from Lamar University. As you can tell, Beaumont and St. Anne Catholic School are an important part of who I am, and my family and I are very excited to be returning home.

From the time I began my career in education, I have had many opportunities to utilize my post-baccalaureate training and my Master of Education degree. My journey as a teacher started with the Diocese of Beaumont at Sister Thea Bowman Academy at St. James in Port Arthur. Because it was a small school, STBA provided me with opportunities to expand upon my position as a classroom teacher. Having these valuable experiences made it possible for me to be a highly competitive applicant among the private schools in Houston, and to teach at The Village School, an International Baccalaureate school, where I have been employed as a classroom teacher and served in a variety of leadership positions for the past eight years. One of my major jobs at The Village School has been to serve as a Summer School Director, where I was responsible for the development of curriculum for preschool through eighth grade, hiring and managing teachers and auxiliary staff, and being sure that communication with parents was frequent and effective. I planned and administered not only the day to day programming, but also supervised all budgeting components of the summer school. I also served as the Touchpoints Coordinator for the elementary school during this academic year. The Touchpoints Program is a partnering between "sister schools" within the Meritas family of schools to address specific global issues assigned to each grade level. Because Touchpoints is an essential part of our classroom curriculum, I supervised the teachers, their lessons and assignments, Wiki pages, served as facilitator of Best Teaching Practices and was a liaison to fellow school coordinators, school heads, and our Meritas Director of Education. I was also appointed as the chairperson of several faculty committees including the critical thinking and development committee, technology development committee, report card committee, and the elementary language arts curriculum and development committee. In addition, I served for two years as the elementary school faculty representative on the Village School Advisory Board.

My friends and colleagues in Houston often tease me because I have always referred to Beaumont as "home", and I am thrilled to be finally coming back for good. I look forward to the beginning of an exciting year in the fall and can't wait to meet all of the smiling faces that make up our community here at St. Anne. Please know that my door will always be open to each and every one of you, and I value your input and our relationship as we work to make our students the leaders of tomorrow.

God Bless,

Hayley Reeves

