



# Blue River Valley Schools

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## Dawn Beebe

### **Welcome and About Me!**

Hi there everyone! My name is Dawn Beebe. I teach Kindergarten here at BRV. Although this is only my 3rd year here at BRV, I taught a combined 27 years at Spiceland Elementary and Tri Elementary, as the Latch Key Instructor, Title 1 Aide, 3rd grade, Kindergarten and 1st grade and my children graduated from here in 2014 and 2017.

### **My Education and Professional Background**

I knew early on in life that I wanted to be a teacher. I had so many amazing teachers as I grew up in the Indianapolis Public School Flackville School 100 and Hamilton Southeastern School Corporation. I was in Show Choir, Guard and cheered as our Royal mascot for 4 years. I also played volleyball, basketball and softball. GO ROYALS! I graduated from Ball State University with two degrees, one in Early Childhood Education and the other in Kindergarten-Primary Education. I also received my MED, Master's In Education from Olivet Nazarene University. As a teacher at Tri, I received the ISTAR award for being a teacher who made an impact on a high school senior. What an honor that was for me. I have coached volleyball. I also helped with The Wizard of Oz production a few years back. After my 27 years of teaching at South Henry School Corporation, I became a Developmental Specialist with Indiana First Steps for almost 2 years, but I just couldn't stay away from the classroom. I love being a VIKING!

### **My Educational Philosophy and Thoughts on Our School**

Teaching is more to me than a job. I take teaching very seriously and know the effects I can have on children and their ability to form a lifelong love for learning. Children are precious gifts from God and I try my best to handle them with love and care. Each child deserves and receives my full respect and understanding. In return, I expect cooperation and respect from each and every child. The mission in my classroom is to enthusiastically instill a positive attitude toward learning by giving my students positive



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reinforcements in all that they try to accomplish. I hold the students accountable for the choices they make in learning and working. I make my students feel like they can do anything they set their minds to do and give them the avenues to do just that. I help my students feel unique, special and above all, attain a sense of belonging, by treating them with respect, compassion, understanding and love. My students are surrounded by an enriching classroom full of high academic expectations, high expectations for behavior and respect for all of those involved in the make-up of our classroom and school. Each student gains confidence and learns to reach their highest potential.

### **My Family**

I am originally from Fishers, Indiana. I married my high school sweetheart Phil and we moved to Sulphur Springs in 1991 and have been in Henry County ever since. We will be married 34 years in February. As I mentioned earlier, my children both attended BRV all through their school years. We have a daughter, Natalie, who is an RN at Eskenazi, but she also does some travel nursing, so who knows where she'll go next. We also have a son, Drew. He works in the Finance Department at Indiana Overhead Door. We have a 14 year old Dachshund named Franki and a 6 year old Golden Retriever named Sadie. We also have a beautiful and spunky 4 year old cat named Smitty.

Phil and I are very active in our church, Sulphur Springs Christian Church. I am one of the worship leaders there. I am also involved in Bible Study Fellowship as a group leader. When I am not at church or school, you will find me at home, singing, reading, or watching my favorite TV shows, such as The Incredible Dr. Pol, Law and Order: Special Victims Unit, or binge watching Sweet Magnolias on Netflix. Oh yes, I also like to take naps on the weekends. One of my all time favorite weekend activities is spending time having a game day or night with Natalie, Drew and Drew's girlfriend, Kat.