



*Exciting News from Strafford School!*

**Introducing New Staff & Faculty for the  
2017-2018 School Year**

*We are excited to welcome the following individuals to our school community!  
Thank you to our hiring committees who worked very hard to help bring these  
excellent people and professionals to Strafford School!*

**Miss Ashley Compagna** – *K-8 Spanish Instructor*

Miss Compagna holds Master's degrees in Spanish (University of New Hampshire) and in Curriculum and Instruction (University of Massachusetts). Miss Compagna has taught Spanish and ESL for the last 6 years. Miss Compagna combines a thorough knowledge of best practices in Spanish instruction and curriculum with a creative approach to instruction that helps engage students.

**Mrs. Eileen Glaude** – *Grades 4-5 Case Manager/Special Education Teacher*

Mrs. Glaude holds a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies in Literacy Education as well as a Master's degree in Special Education, both from the University of Southern Maine. Mrs. Glaude has a tremendous background in special education both as a teacher and in helping lead special education programs.

**Mr. Michael Galvin** – *K-3 Case Manager/Special Education Teacher*

Mr. Galvin holds a Master's degree in Special Education from the University of New Hampshire. His knowledge of best practices in special education, enthusiasm, and personal warmth and compassion wowed the hiring committee!

**Mrs. Abby Jacobs** – *Kindergarten Classroom Teacher*

Mrs. Jacobs holds a Master's degree in Elementary Education from the University of New Hampshire. Mrs. Jacobs has been an elementary classroom teacher for the last six years, including helping implement full-day kindergarten. Mrs. Jacob brings an impressive track record of teaching success and a true passion for teaching excellence!

**Mrs. Sandra Kerivan** – *General Education Paraprofessional*

Mrs. Kerivan holds a Master's degree in Zoology from the University of New Hampshire and so has a unique background when it comes to science! Mrs. Kerivan will be working in Mrs. Jacobs' kindergarten classroom as a general paraprofessional

**Mrs. Tanuja Nomula** – *Special Education Paraprofessional*

Mrs. Nomula holds a Master's degree in Business Administration from Nagarjuna University. Mrs. Nomula will be working with 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students as a special education paraprofessional and is excellent in the area of mathematics, due in part to her Bachelor's degree in engineering.

**Ms. Kathy Pogharian** – *Assistant Principal*

Ms. Pogharian holds a Master's degree in Education Specialization in Public School Administration from Shenandoah. Ms. Pogharian has previously provided leadership in special education and general education programs. Her breadth of experience in school leadership is considerable and attests to her ability to work successfully with students, families, staff, and faculty.

**Mrs. Amanda Roy** – *Main Office Administrative Assistant*

Mrs. Roy holds an Associate Degree in Landscape Development and Ornamental Horticulture from Vermont Technical College. Mrs. Roy has a considerable amount experience with all aspects of helping manage a busy office! Her knowledge of systems related to clerical and accounting work will be a tremendous asset to our office staff and school. She has already impressed with her ability to quickly learn so much in a short period of time.