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## Who's Who at SCA

Superintendent *Dr. Robert Lindsted*  
 Asst. Superintendent *Mr. Jeremy Smith*  
 Jr./Sr. High Principal *Mrs. Meighan Keely*  
 Elementary Principal *Mrs. Melanie Adams*  
 Precept Director *Mrs. Peggy O'Donnell*  
 Athletic Director *Mark Bingham*

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## LEGACY SCHOLARSHIPS

Children of **Alumni, Military families and those in the Ministry** are eligible for discounts on tuition!

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## Catching up with...

### Mr. Jeremy Smith

**What's your current role?** Assistant Superintendent

**What grade are your kids in?** Hunter - 9<sup>th</sup> grade, Trapper - 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Willow - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, Ranger – Kindergarten

**What's happening now at the school?** We just started the 38<sup>th</sup> year of school. We have 475 students with 55 of those being International Students and 104 new students this year. We installed new projectors, have new STEM classes, and a new program called "Core Prep".

**What are you working on?** Developing our Master Plan for the school and updating our ACSI Certification.

**Who was your favorite teacher at Sunrise?** My dad, Coach Smith – My Wife, Shenel and I had Biology class with him. 😊

**What do you love about working at Sunrise?** Seeing the school continue to be successful, keeping the school on a direction that God wants it to be on and the fellowship of working with believers who have the same goal. We have great parents too.



**Educating for Time & Eternity!**

## Alumni Teacher Spotlight

### Karis Kelley Class of 2017

1<sup>st</sup> Year Kindergarten Teacher



**My Favorite memory as a student:** My favorite memories at Sunrise were crab walking in Mr. Whittemore's class and chapels where Dr. Lindsted spoke.

**Why Sunrise?** Sunrise is a place where you receive encouragement from God's Word and meet faculty and staff that truly show you Jesus' love. Every teacher that I had throughout my years at Sunrise was a great Christian example and was someone who I felt I could trust. I remember one day thinking that I wanted to be that kind of teacher to my kids. I am so lucky to call the teachers I grew up with my co-workers and I know that this is truly where God wants me to be.

### Alicia (Oldenettel) Scholtz Class of 2007

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher



**My school experience at Sunrise:** I started in sixth graduated and graduated in 2007.

**What was your favorite class, teacher, or memory at Sunrise?** My favorite class at Sunrise would have been Senior Bible. I loved Mr. O'Donnell and the way he taught us things from God's Word but made it very applicable to our lives at that time.

**My favorite memory is a tie between two.** The first would be the countless hours spent in the office, just hanging out and talking to the awesome ladies there. The second would be with one of my favorite teachers, Mr. Whittemore. In sixth grade math, when Ashlee Shrum continuously talked and Mr. Whittemore told her that he would pour Pepsi on her head if she didn't stop talking. She didn't stop talking and he followed through with his threat. Now anytime I tell a student I am going to do something, I always remember I must follow through, just like Mr. Whittemore!

**Why Sunrise?** I truly didn't pick Sunrise. God definitely picked it for me. I originally didn't see myself in Kansas again, let alone at Sunrise. I had been praying for a second grade position after I graduated and I was offered a fifth grade position in West Virginia and second grade at Sunrise. I felt that was God's answer as to where I should go, so here I am! I took a year off when I had our oldest son, but I missed my extra "family" and couldn't wait to get back!

## Upcoming Events:

Alumni and Families are Welcome!

Fun Night September 11<sup>th</sup>

Free T-Shirt

Home High School Football Game

Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>

FREE Admission and T-Shirt

## Teacher Spotlight

### Peggy O'Donnell



**How long have you taught at Sunrise:**

I started subbing at Sunrise in 1994 and began full time in 1997.

**My role at Sunrise:** I currently am the Principal of the Precept Program. I teach 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls Bible, Debate/Forensics, and Government. I am the Coach of LifeSmarts, Mock Trial, Model UN and did National Honor Society for 16 years.

**My favorite thing about working at Sunrise:** My favorite thing about working at Sunrise is being able to work in a Christian environment where I can pray in class, have like-minded teachers and administration, and being able to teach and coach the most amazing students in the world!

**My favorite memory at Sunrise:** I have so many fond memories, but I think my favorite has to be teaching my three children (Stephanie, Michael and Tyler) and working with my husband as he coached girls basketball and taught Bible for 18 years. Now, I have the privilege to have my granddaughters attend Sunrise! In 2000, my entire family went to Israel with Dr. Lindsted and it forever changed my life.