



Mrs. Christina Dunkerley – Kindergarten *(Celebrating seven years)*

What is your professional background? I have a BA from Villanova University and earned my Early Childhood Certification from Immaculata University. I taught Kindergarten and First grade at St. Monica School in Berwyn, prior to joining St. Norbert School in the fall of 2012. In total, I have been teaching for 25 years.

Who inspired you to choose teaching (education) as your profession? I had many great teachers at Sacred Heart, but the one who was most influential in my life was Mother Walsh, my Geometry teacher. She was so enthusiastic and patient and made Math fun!

What is your favorite Saint Norbert's tradition? I love gathering as a school community each morning to start our day together in prayer and with the Pledge of Allegiance and in patriotic song. This enables us all to have a moment of peace and to gather our thoughts, before getting our academic day underway.

What aspect of "Be Your Bulldog Best" most appeals to you? The "Be Compassionate" statement to me, is most significant. We all need to be more cognizant of the needs of others and put others before ourselves. We cannot begin early enough to help instill this trait in our children.

What is your favorite thing about St. Norbert's? What I love most about teaching at St. Norbert's is the wonderful partnerships forged between parents and staff. This creates such a sense of family and community and is one of the things that makes our school special.