

## Getting to Know Jody Dahlseng

Jody Dahlseng has been in the Belvidere School District for five years. This is her fourth year as principal at Meehan Elementary School. She has found the Belvidere School District to be dedicated to the success of all students. It is indeed a community effort to raise respectful citizens with a strong desire for continued learning.

Jody was born and raised in central Minnesota. She has five sisters who live throughout the state of Minnesota. Jody and her family make frequent trips to Minnesota for family gatherings.

Learning has been a continuous and life-long process for Jody. In May of 2004, she completed her administrative degree. Her Masters degree in Affective Education was completed in 1994 at Oswego State University in New York. Jody's undergraduate work in Elementary Education was completed at Moorhead State University in Minnesota. Jody worked as a second grade teacher for 14 years in Upstate New York and Illinois prior to entering administration.

Jody and her husband Brent moved to Rockford in 2007. They are "empty nesters" but often find their home filled with their four kids coming home with their families to visit. Kate and her husband Eric live in Normal, IL. They have two children, Delaney and Soren. Kelly is a third grade teacher in Chicago and her husband Arturo is an electrical engineer. They live in Jefferson Park. Nathan was married to Allie this past July and have taken up residence in Columbus, Ohio. The baby of the family, Amanda, graduated from Luther College this past May and is spending a year doing mission work in England. Jody's husband, Brent, is a Lutheran pastor at Grace Lutheran Church in Love's Park, IL. He is the love of Jody's life – and her best friend.

Education is a community adventure that Jody is proud to be a part of. Please stop by her office anytime to talk.