

Marie Haws
Music Teacher

I am very excited to be part of the Westergard team and the Washoe County commitment to music education. I was drawn to this school district because of the sense of community I felt among the music teachers, and I have enjoyed being a part of the Westergard community as well!



I taught elementary music full-time from 2008-2011 and 2013-2019 in the Provo City School District in Utah, working with children in kindergarten through 6th grade. I led both before- and during-school choirs for 4th through 6th graders, as well as co-conducting the first honor choir in our district. I served as president of the Utah Fellowship of Local Kodály Specialists (a chapter of the Organization of American Kodály Educators) for a total of four years. I have a bachelor's degree in music education from Brigham Young University in Utah, a master's in music education from Holy Names University in California, and I am also a licensed elementary classroom teacher with an ESL certification.

On a more personal note, I grew up in Colorado, going on hikes, backpacking trips, and winter camps with my dad and brothers. I have a wonderful husband who does classically inspired oil paintings and sculptures, and I have three cute kids. We like to go hiking and camping, and we are addicted to reading. Piano and voice are my main instruments, but I have dabbled in guitar, ukulele, mandolin, recorder, and carillon.

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