NEW TEACHERS & STAFF AT NATICK HIGH SCHOOL 2015-2016

Linda Anderson, North Star, Art Department

Linda Anderson graduated from Mount Holyoke College with a BA in art and art history. She has a Master of Science in Art Education from Massachusetts College of Art and Design and an MFA in painting from Indiana University. Before coming to Natick, she taught in the art departments at the Herron School of Art and Design and Indiana University and for seven years at Concord Middle School.

Tim Cesarini, Science Department

Tim is joining the NHS science department and has prior experience teaching Biology at Amherst Regional High School and completed his student-teaching hours at Arlington High School. He earned his BS in Biology from UMass Amherst and his MAT in Education from Simmons.
Fun fact: Tim enjoys movies and music, especially concerts.

Nilanjana Chakraborty, Science Department

Nilanjana comes to the NHS science department from Chelsea High School where she taught chemistry. Prior to teaching she worked in the pharmaceutical research industry and has several publications to her credit. She completed her undergraduate studies at Indian Institute of Technology in India and earned a doctorate chemistry degree from Tufts University.
Fun fact: Nilu and her family share their home with six birds and a dog named Enrico Fermi.

Clark Clements, Science Department

Clark brings several years of experience as a 7th grade teacher in the subjects of planetary science, chemistry, and Earth, life and physical sciences. Prior to teaching he held an engineering position with Xerox Corporation. He attended Lesley University for his undergrad studies and received a master of education from Cambridge College.
Fun fact: Clark is a talented ceramics artist; recent projects include a series of ceramic floor lamps.

Jacqueline Davis, Pace Coordinator

Jackie joins NHS as our new Pace coordinator. Prior to NHS she worked as an outpatient clinician at High Point Treatment Center and has much experience in counseling and social work. Her undergrad degree is from Holy Cross College and she earned her masters of social work from Salem State College.
Fun fact: In her free time, Jackie enjoys spending time with her family which includes four children.
Maggie Hale, Social Studies Department

Maggie is joining the NHS social studies department after finishing her practicum experience at Hudson HS. She has a vast background in sailing having been a 4-year varsity member of the St. Mary's College team, where she completed her undergraduate studies. Her experience includes studying abroad in India and a master’s in teaching from Simmons College.

Fun fact: During winter of 2011-12 Maggie and her husband Ted lived on a boat with their dog, Chessie, while they sailed down the East Coast and throughout the Bahamas.

Jamie Hill, Guidance Department

Jamie is joining the NHS guidance department to fill in for Aimee Cairney who is out on maternity leave. She is a graduate of Natick High School and recently completed her masters at UMass Boston. She has also worked as an intern at Wellesley High School last year.

Fun fact: All of the names of Jamie’s family members begin with the letter “J”.

Adam Maczik, Science Department

Adam will be a new physics teacher at NHS this fall. His teaching experience includes pre-calc, trig, and algebra at Lincoln HS in Portland, OR. His BS in general physics is from the University of Michigan and his post-baccalaureate science teacher prep was completed at Western Governors University in Salt Lake City, UT. Adam is also an avid competitive athlete in the sport of fencing.

Fun fact: Adam has spent time as a resident athlete at the USA Olympic Training Center in Colorado where he also served as assistant coach for the USA Pentathlon team.

Erin Miller, Special Education Department

Erin is our new Assistant Director of Student Services and will head the NHS special education department. She most recently held the position of assistant principal of special education at Franklin HS. Prior to that she taught special education in several academic areas and also worked as a team chairperson. Erin received her BS in human science and services from Univ. of Rhode Island and her MS in education from Simmons. She is licensed as a special education administrator from Commonwealth Leadership Academy.

Fun fact: Erin spends her free time watching her two boys on some sort of athletic field or court throughout the year.

Miranda Rich, Social Studies Department

Miranda is joining the NHS social studies department after completing an internship at Bulkeley HS (Hartford, CT) and student-teaching at Manchester HS (Manchester, CT). She earned her BA in history and her masters in education from the University of Connecticut.

Fun fact: Miranda spends her free time watching UConn Basketball games and teaching Zumba Fitness classes.

Diane Robin, Mathematics Department

Robin brings her extensive background in teaching business to NHS. She has taught technology and business at Uxbridge HS, Algonquin HS, and TECCA Academy. Robin completed her BS in management at Johnson & Wales and received her MA in education from Cambridge College.

Fun fact: Diane traveled to and spent some time in Quebec City this summer.
Bridget Ross, English Department

Bridget's most recent experience was teaching 7th grade English for the past 4 years at Wilson Middle School here in Natick. She completed student-teaching at Newton North HS, earned her BA in English from UMass Amherst, and dual master degrees from Simmons College in teaching and English. 

*Fun fact: Bridget has travelled to fourteen different countries since 2005.*

Kathryn Seyfarth, Special Education Department

Kathryn will be joining our team of special education teachers. She comes to NHS from New England Center for Children where she taught special education and worked as a case manager. She completed her practicum hours at McCarthy Elementary School, graduated cum laude with a BS from Lawrence University (NY) and her MS in education is from Simmons College.

Chelsea Thorne, School Psychologist

Chelsea actually began at NHS mid-way through last year and has now been made a permanent addition to the staff. *Fun fact: Chelsea got married and visited Costa Rica this summer.*

Becky Tramontozzi, Mathematics Department

Becky taught mathematics at Westborough High School for the last 10 years. Prior to that, she taught math and history for 2 years in an acute care residential facility. She holds graduate degrees in mathematics and special education from Boston University and Framingham State, respectively. 

*Fun fact: Becky is a former high school and college volleyball player.*

Lauren Williams, Special Education Department

Lauren is coming on board to teach science in the North Star program. Her work history includes work with Boston Public Schools teaching physics and biology as well as providing special education support in several areas of math. Prior to teaching she worked as a scientist and project manager for Shuster Laboratories. She holds a BS in chemistry from Northeastern and masters in secondary education from UMass Boston.

*Fun fact: In Lauren’s previous career as a chemist she was part of the team that developed and launched a new antiperspirant product while co-oping at Gillette.*

Trish Williams, Library Media Assistant

Trish has worked as a paraprofessional for the past 11 years at Natick Pre-School and has been the director of Sargent Center day program for Natick Parks & Rec for 10 years. She also has lead several programs for the Metrowest Autism Alliance. Trish joins NHS this year as a media assistant in the Library.

*Fun fact: Trish enjoys hiking, kayaking, biking, skiing, and reading.*