

Presenter Biographies

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| Ben Bever | Ben Bever is the Assistant Principal at Pennfield Middle School. Before that, Ben was a social studies teacher in several Battle Creek Public Schools Middle Schools. In the summer months, Ben participates in Civil War reenactments across the midwest. His personae is that of a Civil War doctor. Ben will be presenting sessions on Trauma 101 and building resilient students. Ben attended Kellogg Community College and West Michigan University. |
| Marleen Bottoms | Marleen Bottoms has been working with Pennfield Schools for 5 years as the CISD school psychologist. She is a graduate of Ohio University, and two degrees from Ball State University. In her 17 years of education, she has served as a school psychologist and a special education consultant. Marleen will be joining Teresa White and Kim Watson as they present special education for the regular education classroom. |
| Trevor Deveaux | Trevor DeVeaux is the Director of Student Services for Pennfield Schools. He has been a classroom teacher and principal at the elementary level. Trevor will be working with two groups today. First, he will guide an MDE Homeless update for counselors. Next he will facilitate and provide training for Title IA and 31A teachers. Trevor's quote of the day is: "If your nose runs and your feet smell, you're built upside down." |
| Tom Faber | Tom Faber is the High School Principal at Pennfield High School. He has also been a high school classroom teacher and elementary principal. Tom has degrees from The University of Michigan and Western Michigan University. Tom will be presenting a session on formative assessment for the classroom. Check Tom's Feet---he once wore two different shoes to work on accident! |
| Christine Garfield | Christine Garfield comes to us from Summit Pointe CMH. She has also worked as Star Commonwealth Highfields, inc. Christine has a Psychology degree from Olivet College and a Counseling degree from Spring Arbor University. Christine is highly trained by the Trauma and Loss Institute. She will be joining Ben Bever in a presentation on Trauma 101. |

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| Jane Haudek | Jane Haudek is the principal at Purdy Elementary School. Prior to that she was a teacher at North Pennfield elementary and has worked in other area districts to include Bellvue and Battle Creek Public Schools. Jane has degrees from Bowling Green State University and Western Michigan University. Her session titled "Should I give an F and P about my classroom library? should be informative and a lot of fun. |
| Michelle Herzing | Michelle Herzing is the principal of Pennfield Middle School. Prior to becoming an adminsitator, Michelle was a 6th grade teacher and 30+ years in special education. Michelle has worked in Battle Creek Public, Waterviliet, Tekonsha, and Jonesville schools. Michelle was the president of PEA in the recent past. Michelle will be presenting a session entitle "Put on Your Own Oxygen Mask First: Strategies for Surviving and Thriving as an educator. |
| Lynn King | Lynn is a Kindergarten teacher at North Pennfield Elementary School. She has previously taughta Purdy elementary school, was a stay at home mom, and even a social worker. Lynn feels her husband is really the funny one around the house. Lynn will be co-presenting a session on Art in the Elementary classroom with Princial Matt Kirkland. When asked if there was anything she wanted to share with attendees she stated, "I've been here so long everybody knows everything there is to know! |
| Matt Kirkland | Matt Kirkland is the principal at North Pennfield Elementary school and was one of our elementary school Art teachers since 2006. Matt believe he "single handedly brought Bob Ross back into probability. Matt will be presenting hints and tips on how to tie the arts into the elementary classroom. Matt attended Spring Arbor University and Michigan State University. |
| Tammy Maginity | Tammy Maginity is the Director of Technology for Pennfield Schools. She has been a classroom teacher and also the instructional technology coordinator. She has been a MACUL board member for 8 years and served as President in 2014. Tammy has degrees from Michigan State University, Western Michigan University, and Ferris State University. Tammy enjoys her time singing and playing the guitar. She also enjoys her YO-YOU. But not at the same time? Tammy will be presenting sessions on Chrome Tips, Apps, Extensions and Add Ons". Tammy Maginity is a Google Certified Trainer. |

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| <p>Anna McCrumb</p> | <p>Anna McCrumb is currently the Student Services Consultant for Calhoun Intermediate School District. Her responsibilities include the use and integration of resources available through Illuminate DNA. Anna attending Gustavus Adolphus College and Western Michigan University. Prior to her time at CISD, Anna has worked at Athens HS, Big Rapids MS, and the outdoor education center at Clear Lake. Anna will be presenting age specific sessions in Live Proctoring for Online Activities/Assessment and a session on itembank assessments that are ready for K-12 social studies teachers.</p> |
| <p>Scott Morrell</p> | <p>Scott is a representative of MASB. Scott has worked with several districts including Pennfield Schools. He will be facilitating several sessions that will allow staff to give input into the characteristics and experience desired in the next superintendent of Pennfield Schools.</p> |
| <p>Jerry Mueller</p> | <p>Jerry Mueller attended Kellogg Community College and Central Michigan University as an undergraduate and post-graduate student. He has worked in several Michigan districts and three Michigan colleges/universities. His responsibilities in human diversity and international communication at Western Michigan University, Miller College, and the United States Army led to today's session on the Rules of Poverty. Jerry will also present the best mid-year reports from NWEA Growth Data. Jerry has two grandchildren and performs with the Thornapple Jazz Orchestra.</p> |
| <p>Sarah Neubecker</p> | <p>Sarah Neubecker is the principal of Dunlap Elementary School. She has degrees from Alma college, Olivet college, and Michigan State University. Previously, Sarah has taught English at Battle Creek Schools, was a Behavior Specialist for CISD, receiving her training from Randy Sprick. If you'd like to hear a story, ask Sarah about 124 Wabash Street. Sarah will be presenting a session that looks at combining CHAMPS and KAGAN activities together to encourage classroom engagement and student accountability in instruction.</p> |
| <p>Kelly Royer</p> | <p>Kelly Royer is the Media teacher for Pennfield High School. Her students are often providing the public face of Pennfield Schools. Kelly is a Chippewa from CMU and a Spartan from Michigan State University. Kelly will be teaming with Cresta Wright in a session of developing effective Video for the classroom.</p> |
| <p>Sarah Taylor</p> | <p>Sarah Taylor is a Bronco from Western Michigan University and also has a degree from Walden University. Currently the assistant principal at Dunlap Elementary, Sarah taught 7th grade math, science and ELA at PAW PAW for 11 years and Title Math in Comstock. Sarah has presented with her husband at MACUL conferences and will be providing information on the favorite tech tools for teachers during todays professional development sessions.</p> |

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| Marvin Taylor | Marvin Taylor is the elementary principal/curriculum director for Athens Area Schools. More importantly (of course) he is the husband of Dunlap's assistant principal-Sarah Taylor. He has been a teacher in the Paw-Paw Public Schools in the past. Marvin is a graduate of Purdue University in Fort Wayne Indiana. Recently, he lost his rental car keys swimming in the Hawaiian Islands. A nice family found them a half hour later and they were returned. Marvin and Sarah will be presenting a session titled, "Favorite Tech Tools for Teachers". |
| Joe Thomas | Joe Thomas is the assistant principal at Pennfield High School. Joe is a graduate of Western Michigan University and Michigan State University. Joe will be presenting a session on building culture and climate in the classroom. He asks you leave your dogma at the door. Joe's daughter and her friends think he looks like human Shrek in Shrek II. |
| Melinda Waffle | Melinda Waffle is the Technology Coordinator for CISD. Prior to that role, she worked at Union City Schools and has taught classes in mathematics, health, and computers. Melinda has degrees from Bowling Green State University and Western Michigan University. Melinda will present "hands on" sessions including "Dive into OERs" (separate sessions for K-5 and 6-12) and "Becoming a Producer" building OER. |
| Teresa White | Teresa White is the Teacher Consultant for Pennfield Schools. She has worked in the classroom and with Calhoun Intermediate School District. Teresa is a Western Michigan University graduate and will be presenting valuable information of the crossover relationships between special education requirements and the regular education classroom. This session will be co-taught with Kim Watson (MS resource room teacher) and Maureen Bottoms (CISD School Psychologist). |
| Cresta Wright | Cresta Wright is the district Instructional Technology Coordinator. Cresta attended college at both Michigan State University and Western Michigan University. Cresta has worked in multiple roles in the Calhoun County Area and will be presenting sessions titled the Hour of Code and Video Production. Cresta is a 2018 MACUL MAKING IT HAPPEN AWARD winner. This award is given in conjunction with the national ISTE group. |
| Kim Watson | Kim Watson is a resource room teacher at Pennfield Middle School, as well as classes at Spring Arbor University. In the past she taught general education at Harper Creek. She is a leader in working with all students and the power of a differentiated approach. Ask Kim about the time she locked herself in the classroom closet on the first day of school! Kim has attended Spring Arbor University and Michigan State University. Kim will be presenting with Teresa White on the Special Education for the Regular Education Classroom. |