

# Emerson Eaglet

August, 2017



## New Look Around Emerson

Big positive changes have occurred at Emerson over the summer. All classrooms had new carpet installed, some hallways will have new tile and the younger-children playground has been totally rebuilt. Mid-July rains did put a damper on these upgrades as two classrooms were flooded, but the school district hopes to have all repairs made prior to the start of school. **Thanks to Simona and her staff for cleaning up after the flooding and moving furniture in and out of classrooms so that new carpet could be installed.** We have seven new teachers joining us this fall – please help me welcome Ms. Parker-kindergarten, Mrs. Morey-1st grade IP, Ms. Finerfrock-2nd/3rd grade IP, Mr. Dadok-4th grade IP, Ms. Feller-6th grade, Ms. Schostek-Kinder/1st grade behavior support, and Mrs. Langi-5th/6th grade behavior support. Class lists will be posted at 5:00pm on Thursday August 17th. I look forward to seeing you all at the Back-to-School Night BBQ on August 22nd. Enjoy the rest of your summer break!

--Ms. Reynolds

## Back to School Night & BBQ

Back to School night is a great time to meet your child's new teacher, check out the classroom and interact with the school's parent community.

**When: 6:00 - 7:30pm.**

To provide flexibility to your schedule and to allow for parents of multiple children the chance to interaction with more than one teacher **there will be three sessions: 6:00, 6:30 and 7:00**

Leave the cooking to us: Join the PTA at a **Welcome Back to School BBQ. Food starts at 5:00pm.** We're serving pulled pork and hot dogs and hoping you'll stick around to socialize with other parents while your kids find old friends and introduce you to new ones. Consider buying this year's Emerson t-shirt or go so far as to signing up to help the PTA. Starting school is stressful - let the PTA help out by making dinner.

**Food starts at 5pm**



Aug 21st - **Short** First Day of School  
Aug 22nd - Back to School Night and BBQ (regular length day)  
Sept 4th - No school  
Sept 6th - PTA meeting  
Sept 22nd - Walk-a-Thon  
Sept 26th - DIBELS Testing  
Sept 28th - ½ Day  
Sept 29th - No School

## Find out where it's @

Sign up for the PTA mailing list. Send a "subscribe" email to [emerson.pta01@gmail.com](mailto:emerson.pta01@gmail.com)

Find info online [emersonptaslc.org](http://emersonptaslc.org)

**Who are the PTA?**

Parents and community members who want the students and school to succeed

**What events do they sponsor?**

Back to School BBQ & Walk-a-thon

Book Fairs & Reading Challenge

Dinners for teachers during SEP

Teacher appreciation gifts & Field trips

Health and Wellness Month

Reflections Art Contest & Field Day

End of School Carnival

Math and Science Night and

School Yearbook

**How can you help?**

Consider buying this year's Emerson t-shirt. Add your email address to the PTA list to stay informed all year, or go for it and sign up to donate a small amount of your time to help out!

## Meet our new faculty

### Stephanie Feller - 6th Grade

Previous School: M. Lynn Bennion

- I love exploring and discovering things about our world with a united little community of unique individuals.
- I love to travel (I was in Thailand over the summer!), hike and be outdoors, read, and cook/bake. I'm also a yoga teacher and I do domestic violence prevention workshops with refugees.
- I recently served in the United States Peace Corps as an education volunteer in Uganda, East Africa. (image Stephanie and her niece)



Ms Finerfrock



Ms Schostek

### Christopher Dadok -: 4th Grade IP\*

- I've taught for 6 years and am coming from a dual-immersion school in Mountain View, California called Gabriela Mistral Elementary School.
- I love teaching inquiry in science, problem solving in math, book clubs in reading, and creative writing.
- I like to hike, play board games, and swim.
- This will be my first year in Salt Lake City, and I'm looking forward to getting to know the Emerson community. Please feel free to introduce yourself.



Mr Dadok



Ms Feller

### Janna Finerfrock - 2nd/ 3rd grade English IP

- I taught for 13 years at Jackson Elementary and 3 years before that at Mountain View Elementary. I love getting to know my students and their families. I have met so many amazing and interesting people. I also love watching my students learn to read and love learning. I want them to be enthusiastic about school and learning new things.
- Outside of school, I like to spend time with my friends and family, especially with my niece and nephew. I love to read, go to the movies and baking treats!

### Toalea Langi - 5th/6th Grade Behavior Support

- I was born in Australia, raised in Maui, and have lived most of my adulthood in Salt Lake City. I have five talented girls who take after their Dad. I have worked at Primary Children's Wasatch Canyons - Child Unit, well over 15 years as a Behavioral Health Specialist.
- In 2005, I received my undergraduate degree in Human Development & Family Studies from the University of Utah. I am currently completing the mild/moderate ATP program through Utah State.
- What I love about teaching is the unique relationships that are formed with each child and their families.
- During my spare time, I love to coupon/find a great bargain and play Just Dance on the Wii or Zumba.

### Anne Schostek - K/1st Grade Behavior Support

- Previous School: Autism Education and Therapy Center in Nashville, TN
- 6 Years in the Teaching Profession
- My favorite thing about teaching is getting to hear/see all of the funny, smart, and adorable things the kids say/do each day.
- I enjoy hiking, playing sports, cheering on the Ohio State Buckeyes, and watching Jeopardy!
- I am brand new to the state of Utah and am extremely excited to meet the students, teachers, and parents here at Emerson :)

### Janette Morey - 1st Grade IP

- I started teaching in 1997 in Merida, Venezuela.
- I love being a teacher, because I enjoy seeing my students progress throughout the year. I love seeing their strength and determination to achieve success. Even when it is difficult, my students and I work very hard, and together as a team we will reach our goal.
- I believe that any child has the capacity to learn anything when we give them the opportunity to learn in a positive environment. I believe the parents are the key to success when they are involved in the education of their children.
- I enjoy outdoor activities that bring me closer to nature.

(\*IP:International Pathways)

## Emerson Elementary/PTA 2017-2018 Calendar of Events



### August

17th	Class Lists Posted 5:00pm
17th	Kindergarten Meet and Greet 5:30pm – 7:00pm
21st	First Day of School
22nd	Back to School Night (6:00-7:30pm) BBQ - 5:00pm – 7:30pm
22nd	PTA BBQ 5:00pm – 7:30pm

### September

4th	No School
6th	PTA Meeting 6:30pm
22nd	Walk-a-Thon
Sept 23-Oct 7	On-line SEP scheduler
26th	DIBELS Testing
28th	½ Day
29th	No School

### October

4th	PTA Meeting 6:30pm
5th	Vision Screening
9th	Fall Picture Day
10th	Hearing Tests
16th – 17th	SEP Conferences
16th – 18th	Book Fair
17th	SEP Dinner
17th – 18th	½ Day
19th – 20th	No School (UEA)
23rd	Non-Student Day
27th	Halloween Parade 8:30am – 9:30am

### November: Food Drive this Month

1st	PTA Meeting 6:30pm
3rd	Dia de los Muertos Celebration
6th	Reflections Entries Due
10th	Maturation Assemblies (5th and 6th Graders)
15th	Make Up Picture Day
21st	Hearing Rescreening
22nd – 24th	No School – Thanksgiving

### December

6th	PTA Meeting 6:30pm
22nd	Holiday Sing-a-long
25th – Jan 5th	Winter Break

### Full Faculty

#### Kindergarten

K/1st Behavior Support	Anne Schostek
IP Teacher	Patricia Pizarro
Teacher	Shannon Hoover
Teacher	Katy Parker
Teacher	Sherry Baugh

#### 1st Grade

Teacher	Annie Leys
Teacher	Kristin Allred
IP Teacher	Janette Morey
Teacher	Pauline Omara

#### 2nd Grade

Teacher	Anna Blacker
Teacher	Jennifer Cologna
Multi-grade Behavior Support	Michael Rafiti
IP Teacher - English	Janna Finerfrock

#### 3rd Grade

Teacher	Deb Burlingame
Teacher	JoAnn Bussell
Teacher	Tricia Holden
IP Teacher - Español	Maria Moreno Garlito

#### 4th grade

Teacher	Amanda Roberson
IP Teacher - English/Español	Christopher Dadok
Teacher	Shannon Mabey

#### 5th Grade

Teacher	Debra Kofford
Teacher	Summer Pelton
5th/6th Behavior Support	Toalea Langi
IP Teacher – Español	Ana Rivero Jimenez

#### 6th Grade

Teacher	Josh Craner
Teacher	Stephanie Fuller
IP Teacher – English	Christina Jensen

School Special Education	JoAnn Otteson
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