



## Amanda Matthews Principal

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### **What do you like about being the principal of St. Joseph Parish School?**

Every time I walk into a classroom where our students and teachers are living our mission I am filled with pride. I love being able to see all the classrooms in action. As the principal, I can visit the classrooms daily. I really enjoy being able to pop into an early childhood class and sit on the floor and play with the children, sing and dance with a class in the music room, help students with their math work, or observe a teacher's engaging lesson. It is also incredibly rewarding to see my teachers at their best as they interact with their students, develop positive relationships, and teach them to serve and love others.

### **What do you feel makes St. Joseph Parish School special?**

At St. Joseph Parish School we truly are a family! The teachers are compassionate, dedicated and truly care about educating the children in the Catholic faith. Every educator takes the time to get to know every student in the building. The students look out for one another and lead by example. At St. Joseph Parish School, every student is an individual created in God's image and is treated as such. I am blessed to be the principal of such an amazing school where the teachers put their students first and each day show them encouragement, compassion, love, and acceptance.

### **Where are you originally from?**

I grew up in Mukwonago, WI. I moved to Grafton in 2003 when I married my husband.

### **What are your hobbies?**

I enjoy cycling, reading, camping, relaxing at the beach, and spending time with my family.

### **What is your favorite food and drink?**

I love Mexican food, especially Qdoba. I also love Pumpkin Spice Lattes and Caramel Macchiatos from Starbucks.