



William Koehn, AKA Mr. Bill, Retired Administrator/School Champion

I am a teacher by profession, and I consider my time as a teacher a calling... something I was meant to do. I have been doing what I love for over 45 years and I am still passionate about our students and our school. I have a Master of Science degree in Educational Administration. I have been the Administrator at St. Coletta Day School since 1991. My students continue to be a great inspiration to me. They are also a source of renewed energy for my spirit.

Quote to live by: To be happy, free your heart from hatred, free your mind from worries, live simply, give more, and expect less.



CindySue Nielsen, AKA Ms. CindySue, Administrator / Transition Advisor

I am passionate and find great peace, satisfaction, and happiness in helping others succeed. Those virtues align so well with St. Coletta's mission and vision statements and have led me to this position. I am a student of life, hold a Master's in Adult and Continuing Education and Educational Studies from Carroll University, and am a mother to one amazing son. I have 3 dogs, love the outdoors, live in the moment, and appreciate a hearty laugh. I thrive on supporting the unique culture at St. Coletta's, helping our students grow, pursue their dreams, and succeed in their dreams. Quote to live by: "When the student is ready, the teacher appears." Buddha



Rachel Lustig, AKA Ms. Rachel, Teacher and Education Coordinator

I am proud to be an educator at St. Coletta's. My grandmother always told me, "Everything happens for a reason." This is true, and my coming to St. Coletta Day School 11+ years ago as a paraprofessional happened for all the right reasons. I completed my post-baccalaureate certification program and my Master of Science in Exceptional Education with honors. I have a Bachelor of Arts degree from Marquette University, a Post-baccalaureate Certificate, and a Teaching License in Cross-categorical Special Education, Middle Childhood-Early Adolescence.

I am a wife and mother to four children who are all alumni of our host school, St. Sebastian. The connection to St. Sebastian was one of the reasons I was initially drawn to St. Coletta. The students and the environment of providing integrity education are why I have made St. Coletta my home, and working with kids with special needs is my passion.



Devin Nielsen, AKA Mr. Devin, School Support Professional

Despite being new to St. Coletta, I have spent much of my career working with students from 5-24 years old! I graduated from Carroll University in 2016 with an undergraduate degree in Psychology and a Master's in Exercise Physiology. I am a kind and caring person who sought out St. Coletta in hopes of a more satisfying career where I could positively impact my community. I enjoy lifting weights, playing video games, and spending time with my friends, family, and dog, Bella. In my opinion, I might also be the best-looking employee St. Coletta has seen during their time of operation.



Jane Haessly, AKA Mrs. Jane., Teacher

I was born and raised in Elm Grove, Wisconsin. I have two adult daughters as well as a 3-year-old granddaughter who I love to take on walks and to the park. I have taught for numerous years in Milwaukee Public Schools and Elmbrook Schools. "I am so grateful to be part of the St. Coletta team. Working here has brought me many joyful memories".



James Knighter, AKA Mr. James, Instructional Assistant

I am originally from New Orleans, LA. and moved to Milwaukee three and a half years ago with his wonderful wife and twin boys. I love basketball, fashion, and all spicy foods. I am also passionate about God, family, and helping students navigate life. I like teaching students through my unique experiences in New Orleans. I look forward to working with your child for many years. My favorite quote from Ally Carter: "Time, the greatest thief of all. Time always takes things away from us: memories, energy, and money. Therefore, we must make the most of our time on earth."



Ken Belford, Instructional Assistant

I started with St. Coletta's in 2022. However, I am not new to working in schools with students with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities. I worked for 7 years with the Recreational Adult Day Program at West Allis. I also worked with the Urban Summer Program and spent over 30 years as a student supervisor at West Allis, coaching football and track there. I am a fan of the Brewers, Packers, and Badgers.



Lauren Brabson-Mitchell, Special Projects Coordinator

Although I joined St. Coletta Day School in August 2022, I have 6+ years of experience working with students of all ages and abilities. While attending college, I provided in-home care for six children with special needs. I graduated from Carroll University in 2013 with a Bachelor's in Educational Studies. After graduation, I became a Toddler Teacher for 1- and 2-year-olds before accepting a role as a Daycare Director in the same company. I later went on to serve as a Recruiter, Trainer, and HR Generalist for a multinational law firm before landing back in the field of education here, at St. Coletta. When I'm not assisting Miss Rachel or Miss CindySue, I enjoy spending time with friends and family, being outdoors, listening to music, and learning about pretty much anything.