Meet our new Middle School staff members!

Brice Smith, 8th Grade Science Teacher
Brice is very excited to join Manitou Springs Middle School as the 8th Grade Science Teacher. He's spent the last four years teaching 8th Grade Science in Craig, Colorado. Brice grew up in Charlotteville, Virginia, and got his undergraduate degree in psychology and environmental policy from The College of William and Mary and his master's in education from Virginia Tech. When not teaching in the classroom, Brice finds himself in other teaching roles including a snowboarding instructor, and leading outdoor education and service learning trips with high school students through the Student Conservation Association. When not in the classroom, he likes to spend his time skiing, snowboarding, instructor, and leading outdoor education and service learning trips with high school students through the Student Conservation Association. When not in the classroom, he likes to spend his time hanging out with his dog, Blitz.

Megan Lamoreaux, Para Professional
Megan is excited to be starting her first year at MSMS. She's lived in Colorado for two years, but is originally from Los Angeles. She's also lived in the pacific northwest, first to attend Humboldt State University and then in Portland. In her spare time, Megan loves painting, drawing, cooking and hanging out with her dog, Blitz.

Melanie Gordon, Gifted & Talented Coordinator
Melanie will be serving as the MSMS Gifted & Talented coordinator. She's taught 6th through 12th grade science, health and physical education for the past several years in both International Baccalaureate and Expeditionary Learning curricular settings. Along with secondary education, she also has a degree in health and exercise science. Being a Colorado native, she is very passionate about leading a healthy lifestyle, both inside and out. Coaching is another passion. She has experience coaching youth through high school soccer and volleyball, and is excited to be coaching the girls’ "A" volleyball team. In her spare time, she loves playing outside, traveling, spending time with family, practicing yoga, dancing and volunteering as an EMT at Stratmoor Hills Fire Department. Melanie is extremely excited to be joining the Manitou family, Go Mustangs!

Jennifer Weimer, 8th Grade English Teacher
Jennifer is thrilled to be starting her fifth year at Manitou Springs Middle School, and she is so excited to be moving into the 8th grade Language Arts position. Previously Jennifer was the Gifted & Talented coordinator and she is so excited for her new role.

Noa Fodrie, Art Teacher
Noa is excited to begin her career at MSMS! She studied at Colorado College before completing her bachelor's in art education at the University of Memphis. Her time spent in Manitou and Colorado Springs made the decision to move back an easy one. She's excited to help students discover their own creative vision through painting, drawing, ceramics, sculpture, fiber arts and digital arts.

Hana Vermillion, Para Professional
Hana is a Colorado native and graduate of Manitou Springs High School. She loves working with kids and is excited to be a part of the Manitou Springs family again. In her free time, Hana enjoys painting and hiking with her dogs.

Shaunda McQueeney, Math Teacher
Shaunda is returning to her math teaching position at MSMS after a two-year hiatus. She hails from a century farm in the great state of Iowa. She holds a bachelor's in agronomy from Iowa State University and a master’s in curriculum and instruction from UCCS. She and her husband, Jack, have four children who are all proud Manitou Springs graduates.

Mallory Susen, Media Tech
Mallory just moved from Texas to Colorado in January, is newly married, and has two dogs that take up all of her spare time. She is excited to be a part of the Manitou Mustang family and to be surrounded with such beauty every day!

Important dates
Sept. 10: MSSS Open House, 5-7:30 p.m.
Sept. 13: HOMECOMING!

Please note MSSD14 will have its annual Homecoming Bonfire on Sept. 10. Manitou Springs Fire Department will be supervising the event. The supervised bonfire will begin around 8 p.m. and end around 9 p.m.