



Stacy Morrison

# Walla Walla Public Schools Classroom Close-Up



TEACHER NAME: Stacy Morrison

SCHOOL: Berney Elementary

Position: 1st Grade Teacher

YEARS IN DISTRICT: 20 years

Q. What do you use to review your math units?

A. Berney Elementary first grade students are working on their ORIGO Stepping Stones packet which reviews all of their math skills. Skills include addition and subtraction facts, tens and ones, place value, and equations. ORIGO Stepping Stones is a great review process. My students are also learning to tell time.

Q. How do the specialists at Berney help make for an enriched school experience?

A. Kids need to move and get out of the classroom and PE is a great outlet for our students. It is always a favorite and helps their brain development by moving and burning energy. Our music teacher does an awesome job by giving kids a reason to sing. We have several performances throughout the year to allow the students to showcase their talents. We have structured library time so kids have books accessible to them. The specialists help create a well-rounded curriculum for our students.

Q. Why is it important at this age to get off to a strong start in school?

A. We want school to be fun and exciting for the students, but we also want them to achieve success. It is important for students to be excited about school and want to come back the next day.

Q. What strategies do you use at Berney to help students find success?

A. We trade students for math groups based on their skill level. Students work on activities at their level so they are successful and also challenged. It is a nice way for kids to move back and forth very easily between the three classrooms. We collaborate almost every Wednesday and at different times throughout the day to discuss our students and make modifications as necessary.

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MOMENTS & MEMORIES FROM  
STACY'S CLASS:



COMMENTS FROM STACY...

We have a strong and very supportive parent base. On any day at Berney you will see many volunteers supporting the teaching and learning in our school. Our students are remarkable and full of energy. They are very well behaved and respectful.

I was born and raised in Walla Walla. I graduated from Wa-Hi in 1988 and graduated college from Eastern Washington University. I've been at Berney my entire career - 20 years.



I did my student teaching at Blue Ridge. My husband Tom and I have two teenage boys. I am very active. I love to run, bike and hang out with my family.