



The 7th Grade Penn State Team wants to welcome you to the 2014-2015 School Year at Agora!



Mrs. Amy Baker - Math Teacher (717) 395-9300

Mrs. Baker is originally from Texas, but lives in Robesonia, PA with her husband Tim, son Gabe who is 2, daughter Jordan who was born in July, and their "Evil Cat Max". She graduated from Lubbock Christian University with a degree in Middle School Education, specializing in math. She loves reading, traveling, playing board games, and just having fun with family and friends. This is her third year at Agora, and she is super excited to meet you and is looking forward to a great year!



Mrs. Tabitha Sekuras - English Teacher (610) 230-2312

I am your English teacher, Mrs. Sekuras. If you need a hint on pronouncing my name, just think of two words- SECURE US. I live with my family (my husband, 3-year-old girl Lana, 1-year-old boy Leo, and Howie the orange cat) outside of Philly, but I am from South Carolina. I LOVE to read (sorry, I'm an English teacher- what can I say??). I also enjoy writing, cooking, and just spending time with friends and family- especially watching movies and going to the park. My greatest adventure was living in Central America and teaching at a bilingual school; I love learning different languages and cultures! This is my 4th year at Agora and my 11th year teaching overall. I have taught lots of different grade levels, but YOU middle schoolers are my favorites, and Agora is the BEST place to be!!



Mrs. Lauren Ardoff - Science Teacher (610) 230-3235

I am very excited to be working with you this year! I look forward to exploring Life Science this year and cannot wait to get to know each and every one of you. I have my Bachelor's degree in Biology from Arcadia University, Master's degree in Elementary Education from University of Phoenix, and am certified in Middle School Science. I am back in school again to get my Special Education certificate at Saint Josephs University! I previously taught for 2 years at Philadelphia School District, but this is my second year with Agora and I love it! I have been married to my husband John for two years now, and we have a baby girl, McKenna who will be turning one in September. We also have a very energetic dog named Jax. He keeps us moving a lot!!

I like reading, traveling, being outdoors, doing experiments, and spending time with family and friends.



Mr. Chris Bray - History Teacher (610) 230-2300

Chris Bray lives in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania with his wife Maria, and his two children: Valerie, 4 and CJ, 2. Mr. Bray has his Masters in Education from Holy Family University and is about to start his 9th year teaching. In his free time Mr. Bray enjoys playing sports such as golf, basketball, football, and basketball. Mr. Bray loves to read and is very excited about the Penn State book club that is going to be started this year.



Here is some important info about our team:

Team website: pennstate7thgrade.weebly.com

Visit often for important links and information about each of your classes!

Mandatory Team Assembly: Wednesdays 9:00 – 9:30am

Teacher office hours 3:00-3:30pm as needed by appointment

Team Expectations

- **Come to live Class Connect Sessions EVERY DAY on time and ready to learn! (K-mail Attendance Office to get absences excused)**
- **Participate in class! Take notes, ask and answer questions, and put away any distractions.**
- **Be respectful of your teacher and classmates.**
- **Stay organized and complete assignments on time and k-mail your teacher if you turn in late work.**
- **Read K-mail at least twice a day – this is the main way your teachers will communicate with you!**
- **Log into Sapphire and Study Island every day.**
- **Reach out to your teachers if you need help and have a positive attitude!**

Let's have a great year!!