



JASON WHEELER

Grade 8 HR, Grades 6-8 Social Studies

About Me:

I was born with a passion for history! I love sharing this with students; I want them to find purpose and meaning in their lives, and I see the field of social sciences as an extraordinary tool for this pursuit. I hold two degrees from Elgin Community College and Western Illinois University. My professional teaching experience began 10 years ago. I started teaching for the Archdiocese of Chicago in 2019 and came to STV the following school year. I am blessed to be a part of STV! Outside of school, I spend a lot of time outdoors: camping, boating, hiking, and taking care of the yard. For many years, I played quarterback at the high school and semi-professional levels while competitively weight training. I still occasionally play guitar and harmonica in my spare time.

Religion:

Sometimes we forget the things we have been afforded over the course of our lives. We all strive to put our best foot forward. I feel that with all of the noise in our busy data driven lives, it is important to remember to listen to the message God has for us. When we put time into our faith, we can find peace and purpose in our lives. Character is what we get when we work on ourselves!

Special Units & Projects:

- Working with primary source artifacts
- Utilizing software for research support (Ancestry.com)
- Civics, Oregon Trail, Investopedia, etc
- Model Congress
- Enrichment: Mr. Wheeler Show (learning on demand) History Fair, Speech, etc
- Calligraphy
- Washington, D.C. Trip
- Current events (our common goal of studying contemporary history)
- Intertwined advanced curriculum (AP DBQ's, High School and College Text, etc.)

Field Trips:

- Washington D.C
- Feed My Starving Children
- High School visits and plays

About STV School:

STV is a great place to grow spiritually and connect. Everyone here is always willing to help, listen, and go the extra mile for our students. We are a smaller school, which allows us to be flexible and adhere to the needs of our diverse population. I am proud to be a part of a school which prepares students both academically and social-emotionally for the real world ahead of our students. Go Vikings!