## Meet Our Principal Mrs. Michelle Peterson



The new school year is just around the corner and I am excited about getting to know the students, families, teachers, staff, and the community of Butterfield Canyon Elementary. The year 2020 has brought about many new changes to education but one thing that has not changed is that we are here to educate students and see that they are successful. I have heard many great things about our teachers, staff, and students and I look forward to getting to work with each one of them. I also look forward to meeting parents and community members.

I have been an educator for the past twenty-eight years, eleven years as an elementary teacher, three years as an assistant principal and fourteen years as a principal. I feel that these experiences have prepared me to be a well-rounded school leader here at Butterfield Canyon and I am excited to be here. The teachers and staff are amazing and the building and grounds are so beautiful and welcoming and provide such a nice place for students to learn.

I currently live in Saratoga Springs having recently moved from Riverton City. I am married and have three adult children and seven amazing grandchildren. I enjoy the outdoors where I can hike, bike, and swim. I love reading and I read many books this summer while staying isolated from others. I also love traveling and I have been all over the U.S. and the world.

My goals for Butterfield Canyon students are:

- To provide a safe and positive environment where students are engaged in learning
- To educate students for future success
- To provide opportunities for academic excellence and student leadership
- To have students practice responsible citizenship

I believe that as students are engaged in their learning they will leave Butterfield Canyon with the necessary life skills to become life-long learners and contributing citizens in our society. I would encourage you to be a partner with the school even though it may be from a distance this year. As families and schools work together we can help our students learn and succeed at high levels. I am so excited to be here and to be a part of the Butterfield Canyon school community!

As you can expect, this year will be quite different than what you and your child have been accustomed to. We will have new procedures with almost everything that we do at school to keep students, teachers, and staff safe. We are busy working on our school re-opening plan with the school district and health department. More information will be coming on our school website soon.

Thank you for all that you do to support your student, the school, and education. I am honored to be here!

Mrs. Michelle Peterson

Principal, Butterfield Canyon

"Education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and world better than you found it." – Marian Wright Edelman