



VAIL CHRISTIAN ACADEMY | Upper Academy



Stacey Fischer/Math, Logic and US History

- 12th year at VCA, originally from Detroit Lakes, Minnesota
- Graduated from Moorhead State University with teaching certifications in Kindergarten-8th grade
- Stacey is also our Upper Academy Coordinator
- Stacey has 3 children and has called the Valley home for over 20 years



Connie Melzer/Language Arts

- 2nd year at VCA
- Connie has 8 years teaching experience
- Graduated from Colorado Mesa University with a teaching certification in Kindergarten-8th grade
- Raised in Rayne, Louisiana and has called the Vail Valley home for 18 years
- Connie is married and has three children



Paige Clark/Science, Social Science, Reading

- 2nd year at VCA
- Born and raised in the Vail Valley
- Paige enjoys hiking and camping - but her favorite hobby is reading books.
- Paige graduated from University of Colorado Boulder with a Humanities and an Art History degree.



JJ Cunningham/Science

- 2nd year at VCA, originally from Texas
- B.S. in Neurobiology and a MBA in Entrepreneurship
- Trained in Socratic Method
- JJ grew up hiking and climbing in the Rocky Mountains and is excited to now call the Vail Valley home



Special Projects, Activities and Trips

Sixth Grade

Senior Care Service
Chess
Strategies
Intro Spanish

Seventh Grade

Heifer Ranch (7th grade)
Logic
Intro Spanish
O2 Outdoor Education Program

Eighth Grade

Spanish 1
Economics
Public Speaking and Debate
High School Prep
O2 Outdoor Education Program
Washington D.C. Trip
Moab
Student Store
Spirit Week versus Teachers

Enrichment (6th-8th)

Music
Art
Physical Education
Chapel Band
Technology

Honors English

Composition I and II
Classical Vocabulary
Public Speaking and Debate
Book Reports
Integrated Research Report

Social Sciences

World History, Geography
US History
Google Classroom
Online curriculum

Testing

Terra Nova 3 Testing in the spring
High School Placement Test (Winter and Spring)

Special Days/Programs

Leadership Crew
Technology
Athletics
Fun Mudder Competititon
Spirit Week
Entrepreneur Day
Christmas Program
Big Buddies

Math

Saxon-6
Pre-Algebra
Algebra I
Geometry (honors class)

Science

Online curriculum (Earth, Physical, and Life)
Labs