

Charlotte Upham
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Chandler Unified School District



Dear Patterson Families,

It is with great enthusiasm and excitement that I introduce myself as your Patterson Pride Principal. I look forward to building relationships with each of our students and becoming partners in education with each Patterson family.

I have been fortunate to have lived in the beautiful states of Colorado, Oregon, California, and nine years now in Arizona. My friends and family are spread throughout these places and I enjoy visiting them each chance I get. My diverse living experiences have fostered a love for traveling and a constant search for the next new adventure.

During our free time you can find my husband Rob, our 5-year-old son Anthony, 3-year-old son Mason, and me camping up north, spending time outdoors, watching our beloved Denver Broncos, or taking trips to Southern California at the beach or visiting friends.

My commitment to education has allowed me to work in a variety of school environments over the past fifteen years. After earning a degree in Child and Adolescent Development I had eight years of rewarding experiences teaching fourth, fifth and sixth grade in Los Angeles, and then in the Chandler district at CTA Freedom. I earned my Master degree at NAU in Educational Leadership which led me to the role of Dean of Students at Riggs and Basha Elementary schools. I truly believe that the Patterson community is Arizona's finest. I am proud to be continuing my position for a sixth year as your Principal.

I believe that all students are capable of success and achieving high standards when provided with quality instruction that is based upon their individual needs. It is my goal that our students and families feel part of a school environment that supports academic, social and behavioral growth.

The opportunity to work with Patterson's amazing staff, students, and parents is truly an honor. I am confident this will be a successful year in working together to build lasting memories for our students and PRIDE community. Please feel free to stop by the office, find me on campus, or send a letter through our Patterson Postal Service so I can learn about your family. Have a "PAWS"itively great year!

Warmly,

Sarah Stephens
Live, Laugh, Learn!