



St. Francis Xavier School Welcomes Two New Teachers

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Maggie Brophy will be teaching kindergarten this year at SFX. Maggie is from Leawood, Kansas and is a graduate of Shawnee Mission East High School. She graduated in May 2020 from the University of Kansas with a degree in Elementary Education. She completed a 10 week student teaching placement in the fall of 2019 in a 1st grade classroom, and a 16 week student teaching experience in the spring of 2020 in a 4th grade classroom. Additionally, Maggie has had practicum experience in both kindergarten and 4th grade classrooms. In addition to her teaching duties, she will also be the Figure Skating Director at Petoskey Ice Arena. She trained many years as a competitive figure skater. Regarding living in the region, having spent summers growing up in Charlevoix: “I fell in love with Northern Michigan. Getting to officially live here full time is a dream! I can’t wait to have an awesome year with everyone!”

Tricia Robinson will be teaching middle school religion this year. Trish is originally from Northern Michigan and graduated from Petoskey High School. She earned a double BA from The University of Michigan in English and Spanish. She spent several years in Santiago, Chile studying, traveling South America, teaching, and doing missionary work. She returned to teach here in the States, and a few years later she married her high school sweetheart. Shortly after they were married, they relocated to New England for work. While in New Hampshire, Trish taught middle school Spanish in Portsmouth and started a master's degree in Spanish at UNH, but put it on hold when they started their family. She and her husband now have 4 children and they moved back to Petoskey to raise their kids.

Trish has been involved in academia since she graduated from college and has worked at different schools throughout North and South America. She has traveled extensively throughout the world and has a great love for Catholic education. They recently built a home on acreage and love to be outdoors, escaping to the UP whenever possible! She is excited to teach at St. Francis and share her missionary zeal with the kids!