## Susan Bernd



Special education teacher, Middle School

My History at BSCSD: 8 years Where I live: Saratoga Springs

Family pets: One dog- Roscoe, one Guinea pig- Peter, and

many fish

**Favorite Hobbies:** skiing, reading, music and cooking **Favorite memory from when I was in school:** Traveling to Washington DC with my social studies teacher to lobby for a

bill.

What I like about working at BSCSD: The kids. They are great! They are honest and pure. Working with the kids keeps me energized.

Ways I give back to my community: My children and I will engage in small activities and lessons to help people in the community such as donate books, bake for firefighters and cook for a soup kitchen.

**Favorite song or musician:** Grateful Dead **Favorite Book:** Memoirs of a Geisha

**Favorite Movies or TV show(s):** The Lord of the Rings Trilogy and The Walking Dead.

**People might be surprised to know that I:** made and sold candles at Dead shows when I was in college.

If money were no object I would: Buy all of my friends their houses for them. Then I would set up college funds for my children, nieces and nephews, then travel; taking friends and family. I would also like to share: I have been interested in working with children on the Autism spectrum since I was a child after watching the movie "Son Rise" when I was four. I vowed I would grow up and work with children with autism.

## **Audrey Daniels**

Teacher of English Language Learners, High School/Middle School



My history at BSCSD: This is my fourth year here.

Where I live: Glenville

**Family Pets:** 2 cats: Mortimer and Eisenhower

**Favorite hobbies/pastimes:** My favorite sport is swimming. in my free time I like to travel, attend events for wounded veteran, take day trips with my family, cook for large amounts of people and watch movies.

What I like best about working at BSCSD: My students and the growing number of families from other countries.

My favorite memory from when I was in school: Every Friday night

was Teen Town at my junior high school. Monday my friends and I would start preparing what we would wear and who we would dance with.

**Ways I give back to my community:** Instead of presents for Christmas, each family member chooses a local charity to donate to in a family member's name.

**My favorite song or musician(s):** Somewhere Over the rainbow, U2, Jay-Z, Script and Cold Play

My favorite book(s): All the Places You'll Go by Dr. Suess

**Favorite movie or TV show:** Dirty Dancing and anything reality TV! The Jersey Housewives are the best!

**People would be surprised to know that I:** took two months and travelled across the country (took a few detours). Also that I quit my tenured teaching job in NYC to live and teach in Spain. **If money were no object I would:** travel the world teaching in different countries and I would help set up schools in impoverished areas.

## **Deborah Haber**



Special education teacher, High School

**My history at BSCSD:** I have worked for BSCSD since 2005. 4 years at the middle school and this is my 6th year at the high school.

Where I live: Clifton Park

Family Pets: 2 cats: Norman and Maria

**Favorite Hobbies:** I enjoy reading and many varieties of puzzles. **Favorite memory from when I was in school:** In first grade I wrote a story about a reindeer who rode with Santa in the sleigh. My teacher showed off my work and called my mother to tell her about it too

What I like most about working at BSCSD: The administration, faculty, staff and students of BSCSD are the best.

My favorite song/musician: I like all music

My favorite Book: Jonathan Livingston Seagull by Richard Bach

My favorite movie or TV show: Movies: Project Runway

If money were no object I would: travel the world so that I could come back and teach about it!



## Colin Klepetar

Math teacher, Middle School

My history with BSCSD: This is my 11th year here as a middle school math teacher.

Where I live: Saratoga Springs

Favorite hobbies/pastimes: I enjoy gardening, working on my house, biking, trail running, canoeing, camping, cross-country skiing, etc. basically I enjoy being active and outside.

Favorite memory from when I was in school: It's hard to narrow it down to just one memory, but it was so much fun being involved in multiple clubs, sports, and other extra-curricular activities and still maintaining a part-time job and an active social life in high school.

Ways I give back to the community: I am on the Complete Streets Advisory Board in Saratoga

Springs and a volunteer for Sustainable Saratoga.

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**Dream Place to live:** On a quiet remote lake with miles of connecting waterways to canoe, access to cross country ski trails in the winter and bike paths to ride in the summer.

What I like most about working at BSCSD: Coming to work each day and working with an amazing staff and wonderful students... It really is an amazing place to work!

My favorite song/musician: Tom Petty or Paul Simon

My favorite book: The County of Monte Cristo by Alexandre Dumas

People would be surprised to know that I: don't watch television

**If money were no object I would:** travel around the country and create/build more bike/recreation trails and paths.

I would also like to share: a couple of favorite quotes: "We don't inherit the earth from our ancestors; we borrow it from our children"- Native American proverb and "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world, indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." - Margaret Meade