



"SPOTLIGHT" #4 is on Melanie Lofstrom our new 5th-12th grade Band teacher.

Here is little bit about Melanie 🎵🎵🎵

I am originally from Leoti. I grew up and graduated from here, and have some really great memories of this community and school! My family is excited, and a little nervous, to begin this new adventure! It has been really nice running into people I have grown up with, and it feels a lot like we are coming home.

I honestly did not ever think I wanted to go into the field of education. I liked music and really enjoyed working with kids on an individual basis, but did not feel drawn to a classroom environment. This changed, however, when I accepted a job as assistant director of bands in Goodland, Kansas. After the first week, I was hooked, and I realized that teaching was what I wanted to do! So, I worked on my teaching certificate and the rest is history! I have taught Band in Goodland and K-12 Music/Band in Brewster. I have spent the last 8 years in Sharon Springs teaching Elementary Music, Band and Guitar. It has been a lot of fun, but I'm looking forward to being able to focus my attention a little more!

My husband, Brad, works at American Implement. I have five kids ranging in ages from 2 to 19, so life is never boring around our home! We love to take camping/lake trips in the summer time!

We (usually) prefer to sleep in a tent then a hotel if it means we get to wake up to a lakeside view! 🎵🎵🎵