

Brianne Turgeon Bio



Brianne Turgeon is delighted with her assignment as the Music and Chorus teacher Springdale Park Elementary, and she is looking forward to using her talents and experience to help make Music an integral part of the fabric of the school and the SPARK community. She believes music makes life better, and she is dedicated to helping students find their talents in music and in their lives.

Ms. Turgeon is a Georgia native who graduated from Forest Park High School and received a Bachelor of Music Education from the University of Georgia. She earned a Master of Music Education from the University of Southern Mississippi and has earned certificates for Orff Level I and Level II, and for workshops in World Music Drumming, Guitar methodology, and choral conducting.

Ms. Turgeon is an active musician and teacher in the Atlanta area, singing with the Grammy Award-Winning Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chorus and Chamber Chorus since 1993, with the women's *a cappella* group *Yes, Virginia!* since 1996, and she has been the Assistant Music Director for the Atlanta Young Singers of Callanwolde since 1999. As a professional Music Educator Ms. Turgeon has taught General Music and Choral Music on all levels K-12 since 1994, including:

- 1994-1999 K-12 Music/Chorus Teacher in Butts County Schools at Jackson Primary, Henderson Middle, and Jackson High School, where she was the vocal Literary coach and the musical theatre director and producer.
- 1999-2006 K-5 Music/Chorus Teacher in Rockdale County Schools teaching Music and Success for All (SFA) reading at C. J. Hicks Elementary School where she was voted Teacher of the Year in 2005.
- 2006-2009 K-5 Music/Chorus Teacher in Atlanta Public Schools at Morningside Elementary School, where her focus was musical outreach in the community. "Musical Morningside", the MES Chorus, performed at Lenox Mall, Atlantic Station, Wesley Woods, Georgia Tech, Grady High School, the Inman Park Parade, at the Governor's Mansion, and in May of 2009 Musical Morningside performed a benefit concert for My House, a children's charity.

In her free time Ms. Turgeon enjoys spending time with her husband Sean and their four cats, being with her family, and friends, watching the Atlanta Thrashers, dancing, traveling, searching for mid-century antiques and Elvis memorabilia, reading, thinking, and having a wonderful life. She taught music at Springdale Park last year.

For information about the Springdale Park Music program, visit <http://springdaleparkmusic.blogspot.com>.