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Hello! I'm Jennifer Winkler, the homeroom teacher for our 5th and 6th grade jaguars. I teach middle school religion, science, math and history. I live in Smithton with my husband, Brett, and our children, Sophie and Alex, who are St. John the Baptist alumni. I love sunny days and outdoor activities such as hiking and playing and watching sports. I also like to read, garden, and eat Mexican food.

I grew up about an hour from Smithton and attended Mater Dei Catholic High School and then Quincy University where I earned elementary (kindergarten-9th grade) and special education (LBSI) teaching certification. A few years later I earned a master's degree in education from the University of South Carolina Upstate while living and teaching in Spartanburg, South Carolina. This will be my ninth year at St. John's and my fourth year here as a middle school teacher.

As a middle school science and math teacher, I see how important it is for students to develop a strong foundation in science and math. These subjects help students build essential skills like problem-solving, critical thinking, and teamwork. Through hands-on activities and real-world examples, they explore topics like ecosystems, biology, energy, forces, and the Earth's systems, as well as mathematical concepts that support their understanding. I love helping students learn to think, write, speak and problem solve like scientists and mathematicians.

In addition to their academic growth, I am passionate about guiding students in their faith journey, helping them to develop a friendship with Jesus and grow as disciples. My goal is to inspire students to grow in their love for God and others, and use their knowledge and talents to serve and positively impact the world around them. I consider myself lucky to be able to nurture students' academic and spiritual growth, and to help them become faithful, compassionate individuals who make a difference in the world.

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