



Brian Dempsey

New Lebanon Jr/Sr. High School

Brian Dempsey is currently in his eighth year teaching junior and senior high school level Special Education at New Lebanon. Throughout this time at New Lebanon, Brian has worked tirelessly to provide quality instruction to students with special needs.

In the classroom, Brian is simply outstanding. Currently, he works with Alternate Assessment students and co-teaches a Geometry class. He is challenged daily to differentiate his instruction for the ever varying learning levels that exist in his classroom. His students are responsive to his calm demeanor and his collaborative instructional style. Brian works hard to establish effective relationships with each of his students, which has aided him in helping students achieve at their fullest potential. Recently, Brian played a very large role in helping a student transition out of the alternative assessment program and into a regular educational setting.

Brian cooperates fully with staff, is involved in the building's Shared Decision Making Committee and is an invaluable resource to the district's Special Education instructors. He is an educator who is deeply committed to the lifelong success of each of his students and a model of an effective teacher.

Nominated by Matthew R. Klafehn, Principal
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