



## Meet Mrs. Graves!

I am Mrs. Michelle Graves, your blessed LMS! It has been my pleasure serving as Forest Park's Library Media Specialist (LMS) for the past 10 years! What a precious school community we have! I love this school so much that all three of my children graced the halls of our beloved Forest Park!

This is my 23<sup>rd</sup> year teaching in the Little Rock School District! I taught second grade at Booker Arts Magnet School and served as an LMS for Geyer Springs Elementary and Booker Arts Magnet School! The past 10 years have been absolutely fabulous here at Forest Park! My precious Forest Park family of colleagues voted me Forest Park's Teacher of the Year for the 2009-2010 school year, and the wonderful Forest Park PTA voted me Forest Park Staff Person of the Year for the 2013-2014 school year! My school families have touched my life more than words can express! What a privilege it has been to share my love of books and to give the gift of reading all these years!

I received my B.S. in Elementary Education with a specialization in Early Childhood at Southern Arkansas University in Magnolia, AR! Go Muleriders! Only in southern Arkansas would you have a Mulerider as a mascot! Isn't that right, Mrs. McDiarmid! I'm a proud Mulerider, indeed! I received my Master's in Library Science at University of Central Arkansas in Conway, AR! Go Bears! A bit mightier sounding mascot and another great school!

I have been married to Scott, my best friend and high school sweetheart for 25 years! We have three precious children! Noah is in high school! Madelynn started junior high, and Sophie is here at Forest Park with me!

I love reading and spending time with my family most of all! There is nothing better than playtime with Sophie, girl talk with Madelynn, belly laughing with Noah, and concert going with Scott! Camping in our travel trailer is the Graves' idea of the best family get away!

I am so blessed to have the opportunity to learn with your children! I truly believe that reading is the key to a bright future! Reading builds knowledge, and knowledge is power! Thank you for allowing me to instill in your child the joy of life-long learning through reading!