

Trinity welcomes Mrs. Wilder-Newland as the newest addition to the English Department

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As many of you may know, Mrs. Wilder-Newland recently joined the Trinity Staff and will teach English to multiple grade levels. She taught English at Columbus East High School for 36 years, and is ready for a change. Mrs. Wilder-Newland has coached volleyball at Trinity for several years now, and when the teaching position opened up, she decided to take it because it was the right decision for her.

Wilder-Newland expects this year to go well, and has “been pleased with how kind and hard-working the students are.” She also noted that, “a lot of the problems you see in public schools are very minimal here or not present at all.”

Growing up, Mrs. Wilder-Newland was exposed to the world of education. Her mother was a teacher’s aid that worked in elementary schools. Wilder-Newland also helped teach Sunday school at their local church, creating lessons and making crafts. She participated in several teaching internships in college, which helped “[solidify] the fact that [she] wanted to be a teacher.” All of these experiences helped her to develop her teaching philosophy, which is to “help students develop critical thinking skills so that they can solve problems on their own.”

Wilder-Newland also grew up in the world of sports. She played three different sports in high school, including basketball, volleyball, and track. She even went on to play sports at the collegiate level at Franklin College. All of these things influenced her decision to become a volleyball coach here at Trinity. Wilder-Newland is looking forward to this volleyball season because she is “excited to watch the players progress and grow throughout the season.”

All in all, Mrs. Wilder-Newland is excited to be a teacher here at Trinity and continue coaching volleyball. We hope that her time here is full of blessings, encouragement, and positive experiences.