



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Pennington is an amazing school with an incredible team.

Show your gratitude with what they enjoy most!

The PTO has collected and published a survey of staff favorites to help assist families with holidays, Teacher Appreciation, and other “just because” moments. We hope that you find this resource helpful. You are also always welcome to reach out to your teacher via Remind or email to see what is of greatest need at the time. This information is collected at the beginning of the school year, with an option to update in the spring. All fields were optional, empty fields were not completed.

Staff Members are organized alphabetically by last name in this document.

If a teacher or staff member is not listed they have either not completed the survey, we haven't yet processed it, or they have chosen not to share. Please contact the PTO with any questions or corrections.



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Battle , Jamesha

Other Teacher/Para

Para Professional

Birthday:

Favorite Beverage: Calypso, Sprite, Water

Favorite Candy: , Kit Kat, Reese's

Coffee: Yes with Sugar, Creamer, French Vanilla

Favorite Healthier Treat: Fruits

Favorite Color: Pink

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: N/A

I really appreciate Hand sanitizer, Hand Lotion

I have way too many

I could always use more

Favorite Pen: Paper Mate & Sharpie

I like to shop at Amazon & Walmart .

I enjoy eating at Chick fil a & Subway .

Additional Suggestions: Candles , notebooks , books, coloring books



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Classroom/Related Arts Teacher

Beard, Lisa

Kindergarten

Birthday: April 5

Favorite Beverage: , Coke Zero / Pepsi Max, Sprite

Favorite Candy: , Milk Chocolate, Skittles Sour

Coffee: Yes with Creamer, Caramel

Favorite Healthier Treat: Berries and Trailmix

Favorite Color:Blue

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: None

I really appreciate Anything! I do love coffee

I have way too many Nothing, anything is appreciated

I could always use more Coffee :)

Favorite Pen: Paper Mate Ink Joy Gel

I like to shop at Target, Walmart, Costco.

I enjoy eating at Starbucks, Chick-Fil-A, Jimmy Johns.

Additional Suggestions:



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Bell, Taryn

Classroom/Related Arts Teacher

Kindergarten

Birthday:

Favorite Beverage: , Diet Dr Pepper, Coffee

Favorite Candy: , Reese's, Kit Kat

Coffee: Yes with Creamer

Favorite Healthier Treat: Cheese and crackers

Favorite Color: Pink

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: No

I really appreciate Ink for my classroom printer 901XL

I have way too many Coffee mugs

I could always use more Ink for my classroom printer 901XL

Favorite Pen: Any

I like to shop at Target.

I enjoy eating at Chick fil a.

Additional Suggestions:



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Brown , Toinette

Other Teacher/Para

Paraprofessional

Birthday: November 02

Favorite Beverage: Sparkle Ice, Sprite, Coke Zero /
Pepsi Max

Favorite Candy: Almond joy , Reese's, Snickers

Coffee: No with

Favorite Healthier Treat: Wheat thins

Favorite Color: Pink

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: Berries

I really appreciate Gift cards

I have way too many Nothing

I could always use more Candles

Favorite Pen: Ball point

I like to shop at Target .

I enjoy eating at Olive Garden .

Additional Suggestions: Dutch brothers



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Crutcher , Amanda

Other

Exceptional Ed Teacher

Birthday: October 03

Favorite Beverage: Diet Coke , Water, Coffee

Favorite Candy: Peppermint Hershey kisses , Milk

Chocolate, Reese's

Coffee: Yes with Splenda/Sweetnlow/etc., Creamer

Favorite Healthier Treat: Pita chips

Favorite Color: Pink

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: None

I really appreciate Just about anything

I have way too many Never enough stuff

I could always use more Pens

Favorite Pen: All pens!!

I like to shop at Walmart.

I enjoy eating at Sonic .

Additional Suggestions:



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Egan, Elizabeth

Classroom/Related Arts Teacher

4th grade ELA/Science

Birthday: December 14

Favorite Beverage: , Coke Zero / Pepsi Max, Diet Dr
Pepper

Favorite Candy: , Reese's, Kit Kat

Coffee: Yes with Sugar, Creamer

Favorite Healthier Treat: fruit, hummus, trail mix

Favorite Color:green

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions:

I really appreciate pens, sharpies, expo markers

I have way too many

I could always use more

Favorite Pen: Sarassa

I like to shop at Kroger, Dutch Bros, Costco .

I enjoy eating at Chuys, Olive Garden, Dutch Bros.

Additional Suggestions:



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Finley, Regan

Classroom/Related Arts Teacher

2nd Grade

Birthday:

Favorite Beverage: , Diet Coke / Diet Pepsi, Coffee

Favorite Candy: , Reese's, Starbursts

Coffee: Yes with Splenda/Sweetnlow/etc., Creamer

Favorite Healthier Treat: Fruit

Favorite Color:Blue

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: No

I really appreciate notes/drawings from students.

Classroom supplies (pencils, sticky

notes, pencils, Kleenex, and cleaning wipes) are always

needed and appreciated.

I have way too many mugs

I could always use more copy paper, and gift cards to buy

classroom supplies and goodies for the

students.

Favorite Pen: Papermate Flair Pen

I like to shop at Amazon, Target, Walmart, Publix.

I enjoy eating at Tropical Smoothie, Chick-fil-a, Starbucks.

Additional Suggestions:



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Classroom/Related Arts Teacher

Fleming, Cortney

Pre K

Birthday: October 03

Favorite Beverage: , Coffee, Dr Pepper

Favorite Candy: Sour patch kids/Sour candy ,
Reese's, Milky Way

Coffee: Yes with Creamer

Favorite Healthier Treat: Fruit

Favorite Color:blue

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: none

I really appreciate Gift cards

I have way too many Coffee Mugs

I could always use more

Favorite Pen: Flair pens or pilot G-2

I like to shop at Amazon, target, walmart.

I enjoy eating at Mexican, Chickfila.

Additional Suggestions:



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Gatwood, Tanya

Office Staff

Secretary / Clerk

Birthday: September 3rd

Favorite Beverage: , Coke Zero / Pepsi Max, Diet Dr
Pepper

Favorite Candy: , Snickers, Skittles

Coffee: Yes with Splenda/Sweetnlow/etc., Creamer

Favorite Healthier Treat: Fruit

Favorite Color:Blue

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: n/a

I really appreciate Anything / My children here at Pennington are the best

I have way too many windchimes but I love them

I could always use more Angels

Favorite Pen: cute pens and ones that write

I like to shop at Target and Wal-Mart.

I enjoy eating at Olive Garden.

Additional Suggestions:



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Gleason, Jane

Classroom/Related Arts Teacher

1st Grade teacher

Birthday: June 15

Favorite Beverage: , Bottled Sweet Tea, Bottled Unsweet Tea

Favorite Candy: , Milky Way, Twix

Coffee: No with

Favorite Healthier Treat: pretzels and hummus

Favorite Color:blue

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: I don't eat meat

I really appreciate anything

I have way too many pencils

I could always use more expo markers, wet wipes, notecards, sticky notes

Favorite Pen: paper mate flair pen

I like to shop at target, amazon, trader joes .

I enjoy eating at Panera, chipotle, jimmy johns .

Additional Suggestions:



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Gonzalez, Raquel

Other

Principal

Birthday: February 12

Favorite Beverage: hot chocolate, Coffee, Coke/
Pepsi

Favorite Candy: , Kit Kat, Snickers

Coffee: Yes with Sugar, Oatmilk or coconut milk

Favorite Healthier Treat: Salted nuts

Favorite Color:blue, green, and brown

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: lactose intolerant

I really appreciate homemade items

I have way too many N/A

I could always use more N/A

Favorite Pen: sharpie and gel pens

I like to shop at World Market, Home Goods, Marshalls,
TJ Max and Target.

I enjoy eating at Rock N Roll Sushi.

Additional Suggestions:



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Hailey, Tera

Other

STARS Counselor

Birthday: April 1

Favorite Beverage: Lemonade, Bottled Sweet Tea,
Sprite

Favorite Candy: Dove Milk Chocolate, Peanut M&M's
, Reese's, Snickers

Coffee: Yes with Sugar, Creamer, Iced Coffee

Favorite Healthier Treat: Quaker Chocolate Rice Crisps,
Slim Jim's, Vanilla Greek Yogurt

Favorite Color: Any shade of green

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: N/A

I really appreciate Candles, fuzzy socks, markers-wide
tip, essential oils, plug-ins,

I have way too many N/A

I could always use more Snacks/candy of any kind for
students

Favorite Pen: Sharpie S-Gel Pens

I like to shop at Ross, Marshall's, Target, Dollar Tree.

I enjoy eating at Condado Tacos, Chipotle, Chick-fil-A,
Raising Canes, Cava.

Additional Suggestions: I enjoy Lavender & Eucalyptus
scents



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Hardin, Lindsay

Classroom/Related Arts Teacher

Librarian

Birthday: January 5

Favorite Beverage: , Diet Dr Pepper, Coke Zero /
Pepsi Max

Favorite Candy: , Twix, Milk Chocolate

Coffee: No with

Favorite Healthier Treat: popcorn

Favorite Color: kelly green

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions:

I really appreciate notes/drawings

I have way too many mugs

I could always use more super sticky post it notes

Favorite Pen: Papermate flair felt tip pens (colorful)

I like to shop at Target.

I enjoy eating at McDonald's .

Additional Suggestions: I also love 7 Brew



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Hayes, RonDarius

Other Teacher/Para

Classroom Associate

Birthday: February 22

Favorite Beverage: Organic fruit juices, Water,

Favorite Candy: , Reese's,

Coffee: Yes with Splenda/Sweetnlow/etc., Creamer

Favorite Healthier Treat: Jack links

Favorite Color:Black

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions:

I really appreciate Gift cards

I have way too many

I could always use more

Favorite Pen: Black ball tipped pen

I like to shop at .

I enjoy eating at Dave and busters.

Additional Suggestions:



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Howell , Nancy

Other

Literacy Coach

Birthday: June 22

Favorite Beverage: , Diet Dr Pepper,

Favorite Candy: I like Dark Chocolate , Not my thing,
I'd rather have something else,

Coffee: No with

Favorite Healthier Treat: pretzels

Favorite Color:pink

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions:

I really appreciate

I have way too many mugs

I could always use more office supplies: sharpie chart
paper markers, post-its, Pilot G-2 pens

Favorite Pen: Pilot G-2

I like to shop at Target.

I enjoy eating at Starbucks.

Additional Suggestions:



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Jackson, Lesley

Classroom/Related Arts Teacher

3rd Grade

Birthday: December 4

Favorite Beverage: Dr. Pepper Cream Soda, Dr Pepper, Coffee

Favorite Candy: Mounds, Pull-n- Peel cherry twizzlers, dark chocolate with carmel , Not my thing, I'd rather have something else,

Coffee: Yes with mocha or carmel macchiato (hot or cold)

Favorite Healthier Treat: healthy popcorn, cashews

Favorite Color:dark pink or red

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: NA

I really appreciate anything

I have way too many regular sized mugs

I could always use more black expo markers, flip chart sharpies (variety color)

Favorite Pen: paper mate gel

I like to shop at Amazon, Target, Bath and Body.

I enjoy eating at Chick-fil-A.

Additional Suggestions:



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Madison , Robin

Other

Numeracy Coach

Birthday: February 10

Favorite Beverage: , Coke Zero / Pepsi Max, Bottled

Unsweet Tea

Favorite Candy: Barebell Protein Bars- cookies & caramel , ,

Coffee: No with

Favorite Healthier Treat: Healthy Popcorn

Favorite Color: Pink

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: allergic to flowery scents

I really appreciate Nice pens, sharpies, post-it notes, Papermate mechanical pencils

I have way too many mugs

I could always use more

Favorite Pen: Mostly use Papermate mechanical pencils and sharpies

I like to shop at Amazon and Target .

I enjoy eating at Mexican and Chik-fil-A.

Additional Suggestions:



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Mallory, Yvette

Other

Assistant Principal

Birthday: January 10

Favorite Beverage: Sparkle any flavor, Water, Coke
Zero / Pepsi Max

Favorite Candy: Chocolate Covered Peanuts ,
Snickers, Reese's

Coffee: Yes with Zevia

Favorite Healthier Treat: Pears

Favorite Color: green, blue, and purple

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: none

I really appreciate Poetry

I have way too many Coffee Mugs

I could always use more Colorful Pens

Favorite Pen: Paper Mate Ink Joy 0.5

I like to shop at Walmart.

I enjoy eating at Long Horn Steak House, Chick-fil-A,
Sonic, Subway.

Additional Suggestions: none



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Menchaca, Elizabeth

Classroom/Related Arts Teacher

Special Education

Birthday: March 12

Favorite Beverage: , Diet Coke / Diet Pepsi, Dr Pepper

Favorite Candy: Sour patch kids , Milk Chocolate, Starbursts

Coffee: Yes with Black

Favorite Healthier Treat: Fruit

Favorite Color: Pink

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: No

I really appreciate All the things.

I have way too many Never can have too many

I could always use more Tissue

Favorite Pen: Flair

I like to shop at T.J. Maxx.

I enjoy eating at McDonald's and Chick Fil A.

Additional Suggestions:



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Classroom/Related Arts Teacher

Montanari, Anna

Grade: 5

Birthday: August 29

Favorite Beverage: Coffee!!, Diet Coke / Diet Pepsi,
Bottled Sweet Tea

Favorite Candy: , Reese's, Skittles Sour

Coffee: Yes with Oak milk creamer (:

Favorite Healthier Treat: Fruit!!

Favorite Color: Pink and Blue

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: No

I really appreciate Cards - words of affirmation (:

I have way too many Mugs

I could always use more Pencils, color pencils, storage
bins, soft peppermints

Favorite Pen: Flair, 0.38 pens

I like to shop at Target, Amazon.

I enjoy eating at Nectar, Chick-fil-A, Chipotle.

Additional Suggestions:



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Polk, Randi

Other Teacher/Para

Paraprofessional

Birthday: August 23

Favorite Beverage: , Dr Pepper, Sprite

Favorite Candy: Airhead Xtreme Bites , Reese's,
Milky Way

Coffee: Yes with Sugar, Creamer

Favorite Healthier Treat: Baked Cheetos/Baked Hot
Cheetos

Favorite Color:Yellow

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: No

I really appreciate A kind note or affirmation!

I have way too many

I could always use more

Favorite Pen:

I like to shop at Amazon.

I enjoy eating at Olive Garden.

Additional Suggestions:



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Shockley, Stephanie

Other

School Social Worker

Birthday: November 3

Favorite Beverage: , Diet Dr Pepper, Coke Zero /
Pepsi Max

Favorite Candy: , Twix, Kit Kat

Coffee: No with

Favorite Healthier Treat: Pretzels

Favorite Color: baby blue

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions:

I really appreciate flowers, plants, stationary items

I have way too many mugs

I could always use more stationary items (i.e. sticky notes, pens, office supplies)

Favorite Pen: papermate flair

I like to shop at target, amazon.

I enjoy eating at dunkin donuts, starbucks.

Additional Suggestions:



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Smith, Rhonda

Classroom/Related Arts Teacher

K-5 EL Teacher

Birthday: May 11

Favorite Beverage: , Bottled Unsweet Tea, Coke
Zero / Pepsi Max

Favorite Candy: , Snickers, Reese's

Coffee: Yes with Splenda/Sweetnlow/etc., Creamer

Favorite Healthier Treat: Mixed Nuts

Favorite Color:Green, Pink

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: No

I really appreciate Anything

I have way too many Candles

I could always use more Accordion-style Post-It Notes

Favorite Pen: Paper Mate Ink Joy Gel Pens

I like to shop at TJ Maxx, Target.

I enjoy eating at Chick-Fil-A.

Additional Suggestions:



Pennington Elementary Staff Favorites 2025-2026

Tripp, Amy

Related Arts

Music Teacher K-5

Birthday: October 10/27

Favorite Beverage: Gingerale, Hot Green/ Herbal Teas, Water, Bottled Sweet Tea

Favorite Candy: Dark Chocolate (with raspberry:), Snickers, Twix

Coffee: Yes with Sugar, Creamer, Usually use honey for sweetener if available

Favorite Healthier Treat: Skinny Pop, fruit smoothies,

Favorite Color: Pink & Blue

Allergies, Dietary Restrictions: no

I really appreciate Extra help with any performance prep needs (backdrop, props, costuming, etc), logistical set up for any performances, sound tech help

I have way too many

I could always use more any musicians providing a live demo of an instrument for a class, will update needs as they come up

Favorite Pen: multicolored fine and ultra fine sharpies

I like to shop at Target, Amazon, Marshall's, TJ Maxx, Kohls.

I enjoy eating at Chick Fil-a, Nectar Urban Cantina.

Additional Suggestions: Amazon or Target Gift cards are my favorite :) Since they're easy to use and have lots of options.