

# Welcome to Burrton MS/HS. Go Chargers!



My name is Geneva Loeck (pronounced Lake) and I am your new MS/HS Principal. Since I am new in town, I thought I should introduce myself. I also wanted to say thanks for all of the welcoming words and warm hand shakes I've already received.

I have lived in Kansas all of my life. I was born in Iola, and during my infant and toddler years my family had a small ranch between Gas and La Harpe. We moved when my older brother started school so I went to preschool and kindergarten in Halstead and then my dad joined the Air Guard at McConnell so we moved to Rose Hill and lived there for most of my education (1st grade to HS graduation in 1995). Living

in a small town is what I know.

I attended Emporia State for my teaching degree 1995-1999 and went back to ESU 2003-2006 for my Master's in School Leadership. I am also certified to teach students for whom English is not their first language.

This is my 25th year in education. Previously I was an Art Teacher at Haysville Middle School 1999-2008 and at Wheatland Elementary in Andover 2008-2023. I delayed my principalship quest because life started happening. I had 2 children, a painful divorce, a remarriage, busy kids involved in everything, and then sadly my 2nd husband (Jeff Loeck) passed away in 2021. I still prefer to be called Mrs. Loeck to honor his memory. I know he would be proud of me for picking myself up and chasing my career goals.

My daughter Grace Ring is 15 and will be a Sophomore at Andover High School. She loves everything DANCE and is very active in her dance studio, competition dance team, and is a Trojanette (dance team at AHS). My son Garrett Ring is 18, a class of 23 graduate from AHS, and works for Kice Industries as a Welder. We have 5 furbabies (3 dogs and 2 cats). Betty, our french bulldog, is a certified Therapy dog and will attend Burrton Schools 2-3 days a week to support students and staff and share her loving spirit. My interests include cheering on K-State sports, reading and listening to audio books, drawing and painting, DIY home projects, and volunteering with Love on a Leash (Therapy dog group). I also love visiting Art Museums and going to the lake when I can.

A lot of positive things are happening behind the scenes at Burrton Schools and I know that 2023-2024 is going to be a fantastic year! I'm excited to start my first year as an Administrator and be a part of this district. I fell in love with the town and the people when I came here. But what sealed the deal was how impressed I was with the students. Truly amazing kids go to Burrton Schools. I look forward to getting to know everyone this year and helping our students succeed.

Sincerely,

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