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Faculty Spotlight

Mrs. Elaine Gromak



Mrs. Elaine Gromak was born and raised in Connecticut. She and her husband, Henry, and their two sons moved to Florida 25 years ago. She has been a teacher here at Nativity Catholic School for 20 years. Her two sons, Adam and David are NCS graduates. Adam is the managing dentist at Coast Dental in Plant City and David is the promotions manager for the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Tampa.

Mrs. Gromak's Florida certification areas include Primary Education, Elementary Education, Exceptional Student Education, and Educational Leadership. She is currently working on adding the Gifted Education endorsement to her certification.

Continuing education is one of Mrs. Gromak's passions. She enjoys the challenge of learning new information. Differentiation of instruction is her current area of concentration. She has recently taken courses on brain-based education and multiple intelligences. Both these areas are important components in the differentiation of instruction. Understanding the uniqueness with which each child's brain works and the individuality involved in the learning styles of each child can help teachers find the best way to teach and reach every child.

The Gromaks are charter members of St. Stephen Catholic Church in Valrico. Mrs. Gromak was the first vice president of the St. Stephen's Women's Guild, now known as the Community for Women. Mr. and Mrs. Gromak also were members of the Young Adult Connection, a ministry group that sends out packages to parish college students to keep them connected to their church while they are away from home.

In her spare time, Mrs. Gromak loves to read. Historical fiction is one of her favorites. Her Kindle was her favorite Christmas gift last year. She also loves to travel and has visited 37 of the 50 states. She says that every state she has visited has its own unique beauty. Her favorite trip was a visit to the "Land Down Under" with side trips to New Zealand, Tahiti, and Fiji.

Mrs. Gromak attended St. Joseph College in West Hartford, CT where she received a BA in Biology and minored in Chemistry and Physics. She is an American Society of Clinical Pathologists registered Medical Technologist and was employed by the State of Connecticut in that capacity. After moving to Florida, she attended USF and received both a BA and an MA in Elementary Education.

