



John Peeler
Social Studies

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John Peeler has taught at Longleaf for five years after a 30-year career teaching social studies at Sanderson High School in Raleigh. He is a lifetime Raleigh resident and graduated from NC State University. Mr. Peeler is excited about continuing his passion for teaching and for the social studies as a part of the arts-centered environment of Longleaf. He earned his National Board certification in 2003 and is trained in Advanced Placement instruction and a wide-variety of traditional and interdisciplinary approaches to history and the social studies. He has developed social studies curricula at both the state and county level.

Mr. Peeler is a self-described “history nut” who enjoys exploring historic sites and battlefields, and will never pass up the chance to go to a museum. He can often be found reading a history or non-fiction book to keep up with what is new and interesting in the Discipline. He enjoys genealogy and is forging through his family’s past and gaining a greater appreciation for those who came before him.

Mr. Peeler and his wife live in Raleigh with their two cats. His daughter is a UNC Chapel Hill graduate and is a speech pathologist in Raleigh. His son, after graduating last year from N.C. State, is studying law at Wake Forest University.

In his leisure time, Mr. Peeler enjoys watching any and all sports, and is a die-hard Wolfpack, Panthers, Hurricanes, and Braves fan. Also, he enjoys learning about, collecting, and restoring antique and vintage fountain pens. The precise engineering, artistic design, and practical use of the fountain pen intrigue and entertain him more than they probably should.

ps: Mr. Peeler is not nearly as grumpy as he appears in his staff photo!