

MVTHS welcomes new teaching staff

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MT.VERNON — Mt. Vernon Township High School enters into a new school year with seven new teachers added to the ranks of its faculty.

The new teachers are David Edwards, who will be teaching Spanish; Cortney Denton and Katelyn Kombrink, who will be teaching physical education and coaching volleyball; Andrea Felty, Jan Catron and Christi Julius, who will be teaching special education; and Travis McCollum, who will



David Edwards, Christi Julius, Andrea Felty, Cortney Denton, Katelyn Kombrink and Travis McCollum, new Mt. Vernon Township High School teachers for the 2009-2010 school year attended orientation at the high school on Wednesday. *8/7/09*
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be teaching Science. The instructors were inducted into the freshly-minted staff of MVTHS after completing orientation on Wednesday.

"I taught for 15 years, and 11 of those in Wayne City," Edwards said. "I'm looking forward to a new start, new students and new books — new everything."

The highschool may be

new for some but is familiar to others. While Edwards has not taught at MVTHS previously, McCollum reported the high school is where he completed his student teaching.

As new students have to undergo orientation, so do the new teachers, who received information they will need during their employment with the school district.

"We have little books that tell them about office procedures and what-not," Emily Wheeler, MVTHS

secretary said. "I'm excited about the new changes and how everything is going to flow."

Teachers and students will have a challenge getting familiar with the Freshman Academy, which enters its premier year this month. This is also the second year for the Positive Behavior Intervention and Support program, which is ramping into the second phase.

As a new teacher, Felty said she is anticipating working with the PBIS sys-

tem.

"I'm excited about the school's positive behavior," Felty said. "It's the school's incentive to be proactive instead of reactive."

As August enters full swing, the band of new teachers, though coming from various backgrounds, have something in common.

"Meeting the new students," Julius said.

"And getting to know them," added Felty.

The first day of school will be Aug. 14.