

Rockford Area Schools
Independent School District No. 883

2024-25 updated 12/31/2024

CONTINUING CONTRACT TEACHER SENIORITY LIST

1. This list is intended to reflect the first day of the most recent continuous service in the district and major and minor licensure filed with the school district office as of December 31, 2024.
2. Time off for leave of any kind authorized by the school district shall not be deemed to be a break in continuous service.
3. Expiration refers to licensure expiration. A license expires June 30 in the year indicated.
4. Per the current Master Agreement, for teachers hired prior to Jan. 1, 2024, means date of board approval with the school board; ties go to the lower File Folder number.
For teachers hired after January 1, 2024, seniority will be defined by the date and time the employee's contract was signed with the school district in a position requiring a license.

Number	Name	First Day	File Folder	Yrs - Rockford as of December 2024	Months	Tier	Current Valid Licensure	Expiration	General Assignment
1	Sprague, Jennifer	9/8/1989	295950	32	3	4	Elementary Education (1-6)	2028	ES ADSIS Reading
2	Engebretson, Dawn	8/31/1993	327256	31	4	4	Elementary Education (K-6) Coaching (7-12)	2025 2025	ES Grade 3
3	Ulen, Cheryl	8/31/1993	341845	31	4	4	Mathematics (7-12)	2025	HS Math
4	Merila, Julie	8/29/1994	350771	30	4	4	English/Language Arts (7-12) Coaching (7-12)	2027 2027	HS English
5	Peterson, Colleen	1/3/1995	305327	29	11	4	Developmental / Adaptive Phy Ed (PreK-12) Physical Education (K-12) Coaching (7-12) Driver and Traffic Safety (9-12)	2028 2028 2028 2028	ES Physical Education / DAPE
6	Hester, Jason	8/29/1995	352743	29	4	4	Life Sciences (7-12) Physical Education (K-12)	2028 2028	MS / HS Physical Education
7	Belanger, Amy	8/29/1995	357508	29	4	4	Specific Learning Disabilities (K-12) Mild to Moderate Mentally Hdcp (K-12)	2028 2028	MS Special Education
8	Nolby, Kristen	9/9/1996	344768	25	3	4	Elementary Education (1-6) Coaching (7-12)	2026 2026	MS Math
9	Madson, Jamie	11/18/1996	355894	28	1	4	Elementary Education (K-6) Keyboarding For Computer Application (K-8) Coaching (7-12)	2028 2028 2028	MS CIC (0.25) / STEM (0.75)
10	Mateyka, Kristine	8/31/1998	350263	26	4	4	Elementary Education (K-6) Coaching (7-12)	2029 2029	MS English

11	Biorn, Holly	8/31/1998	365795	26	4	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2025	EXCEL Coordinator
12	Merila, Steven	8/31/1998	373040	26	4	4	Physical Sciences (Physics and Chem) (7-12)	2026	HS Science
13	Johnson, Marty	8/31/1998	377368	26	4	4	Elementary Education (1-6)	2027	ES Grade 2
14	Schneeweis, Jean	10/28/1998	288554	26	2	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2029	ES Title Reading
							Pre-Kindergarten (Pre-K)	2029	
15	Hendrickson, Jan	4/12/1999	311670	25	8	4	English/Language Arts (7-12)	2028	MS English
							Specific Learning Disabilities (K-12)	2028	
16	Sarsland, Corina	8/30/1999	343208	25	4	4	Life Sciences (7-12)	2028	MS Science
							Coaching (7-12)	2028	
							Principal (K-12)	2026	
17	Wilts, Bonnie	8/30/1999	357434	25	4	4	Elementary Education (1-6)	2025	MS Social Studies
							Coaching (7-12)	2025	
18	Roelofs, Joel	8/30/1999	375615	25	3	4	Coaching (7-12)	2028	MS PE/Health
							Health (5-12)	2028	
							Driver and Traffic Safety (7-12)	2028	
							Physical Education (K-12)	2028	
19	Tauber, Michael	8/30/1999	381683	25	3	4	Social Studies (7-12)	2027	HS Social Studies
20	Sanner, Tracy	8/30/1999	383135	25	3	4	English/Language Arts (7-12)	2027	MS Special Education
							Emotional Behavior Disorders (K-12)	2027	
21	Eliason, Darren	8/28/2000	383855	24	4	4	Vocal and Classroom Music (K-12)	2027	ES CIC (0.5) / Music (0.5)
							Principal (K-12)	2026	
22	Neff, Kevin	8/28/2000	385556	24	4	4	Elementary Education (1-6)	2028	TOSA Tech Integrationist
							Keyboard For Computer Application (K-8)	2028	
							Mathematics (5-8)	2028	
23	Koste, Anne	8/28/2000	386982	24	4	4	Elementary Education (1-6)	2028	ES Grade 1
24	Klukas-Weber, Cheri	8/27/2002	352919	22	4	4	Visual Arts (K-12)	2027	ES/HS Art
25	Young, Caroline	8/27/2002	394274	22	4	4	Social Studies (5-12)	2028	HS Social Studies
26	Wirth, Molly	8/18/2003	392152	21	4	4	Secondary Guidance and Counseling (7-12)	2027	MS Counselor
							School Counselor (K-12)	2027	

27	Houghton, Daniel	8/25/2004	394360	20	4	4	Social Studies (7-12)	2027	HS Social Studies
28	Mattson, Kathryn	8/25/2004	417063	20	4	4	Communication Arts/Literature (5-12)	2025	HS English
29	Russell, Beth	8/29/2005	422934	19	4	4	Communication Arts/Literature (5-12)	2026	MS Digital Skills
							Library Media Specialist (K-12)	2026	
30	Ferdig, Jerald	8/29/2006	387299	18	4	4	Instrumental and Classroom Music (K-12)	2028	HS Band
31	Hedeem Childers, Tamara	7/20/2009	372018	15	5	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2027	ES Grade 2
							Reading (K-12)	2027	
32	Trandahl, Polly	5/17/2010	321227	14	7	4	Elementary Guidance & Counseling (1-6)	2027	HS ADSIS Reading/AVID
							Elementary Education (K-6)	2027	
							Middle School Guidance & Counseling (MS)	2027	
							Reading (K-12)	2027	
33	Yakesh, Rachel	1/31/2011	381543	13	11	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2027	ES ADSIS Reading
34	Milton, Jennifer	8/22/2012	448595	12	4	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2025	ES Title Math
							Communications Arts/Literature (5-8)	2025	
							Social Studies (5-8)	2025	
35	Pennings, Benjamin	7/15/2013	397319	11	5	4	Social Studies (5-12)	2028	HS Social Studies
36	Werth, Elisabeth	8/26/2013	446097	11	4	4	Science (5-8)	2025	MS Science
							Life Science (9-12)	2025	
37	Gregory, McKenzie	8/26/2013	472437	11	4	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2025	ES Grade 3
38	Hammer, Kylene	9/26/2013	468971	11	3	4	Elementary Education (1-6)	2028	ES Grade 2
39	Farmer, Laura	9/26/2013	472919	11	3	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2025	ES Grade 3
							Early Childhood Ed (B-Grade 3)	2025	
40	Bakken, Amanda	1/2/2014	439306	10	11	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2025	ES Grade 2
							Social Studies (5-8)	2025	
41	Van Orsdol, Diane	8/25/2015	286035	9	4	4	Elementary Education (1-6)	2025	ES ELL
							English as a Second Language (K-12)	2025	
42	Stariha, Paul	8/25/2015	330571	9	4	4	Coaching (7-12)	2026	HS Special Education
							Social Studies (7-12)	2026	
							Academic Behavioral Strategist (K-12)	2026	

							Autism Spectrum Disorders (B-12)	2026	
43	Ellos, Laura	8/25/2015	403568	9	4	4	Speech Language Pathologist (PreK-12)	2028	ES Speech
44	Gordee, Jill	8/25/2015	478967	9	4	4	School Counselor (K-12)	2025	HS CIC (0.5) / IB Grant (0.5)
45	Nelson, Leah	8/25/2015	485440	9	4	4	English as a Second Language (K-12)	2026	HS Spanish (0.5) / EL (0.5)
							Spanish (K-12)	2026	
46	Morgan, Becca	8/25/2015	486398	9	4	4	Public School Nurse (PreK-12)	2026	School Nurse
47	Cosgrove, Stephanie	8/25/2015	486663	9	4	4	Science (5-8)	2026	HS Science
							Chemistry (9-12)	2026	
48	Kaufman, Abbey	1/2/2016	491479	8	11	4	Social Studies (5-12)	2027	MS Social Studies
49	Anderson, Mali	1/11/2016	479545	8	11	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2027	ES Kindergarten
50	Gunderson, Sarah	8/22/2016	408072	8	4	4	Visual Arts (K-12)	2025	MS Art
51	Oliverius, Hannah	8/22/2016	490995	8	4	4	Science (5-8)	2027	MS Science
							Life Science (9-12)	2027	
52	Probst, Alexandra	8/22/2016	493290	8	4	4	Elementary Education (1-6)	2028	ES Grade 1
53	Vasseei, Alex	8/22/2016	495419	8	4	4	Math (5-12)	2027	HS Math
54	Schnettler, Lanaya	12/19/2016	498571	8		4	Academic & Behavior Strategist (K-12)	2028	MS Special Education
55	Wawrzaszek, Madison	5/21/2017	501271	7	7	4	Learning Disabilities (K-12)	2028	HS Special Education
							Developmental Disabilities (K-12)	2028	
							Emotional Behavior Disorders (K-12)	2028	
56	Folger, Katie	8/24/2017	404801	7	4	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2028	ES Grade 1
							Communication Arts / Literature (5-8)	2028	
57	Oeding, Brenda	9/18/2017	485882	7	3	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2027	ES Kindergarten
58	Tensen, Cara	9/18/2017	491213	7	3	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2027	ES Grade 1
							Early Childhood Education (B-Grade 3)	2027	
59	Laidly, Suzanne	9/18/2017	496681	7	3	4	Elementary Education (1-6)	2028	ES Grade 1
60	Udalla, Janee	2/1/2018	466871	6	10	4	Communication Arts / Literature (5-12)	2028	MS English
						4	Reading	2028	

61	Schneider, Corissa	8/21/2018	415346	6	4	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2025	TOSA SpEd Assessment
							Autism Spectrum Disorders (K-12)	2025	
							Developmental Disabilities (K-12)	2025	
							Communication Arts / Literature (5-8)	2025	
62	Bauer, Britta	8/21/2018	473372	6	4	4	Instrumental and Classroom Music (K-12)	2029	MS Band
63	Beattie, Amber	8/21/2018	501261	6	4	4	Communication Arts / Literature (5-12)	2028	MS Writing
64	Zastoupil, Calli	8/21/2018	505483	6	4	4	Spanish (5-12)	2028	HS Spanish
65	Von Kaenel, Robert	6/17/2019	427849	5	6	4	Communication Arts / Literature (5-12)	2027	HS English
66	Gruber, Kaytlyn	6/17/2019	500854	5	6	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2028	ES Kindergarten
67	Korzendorfer, Cassandra	7/8/2019	424447	5	5	4	Communication Arts / Literature (5-12)	2026	MS English
68	Bird, Krista	8/19/2019	424909	5	4	4	Communication Arts / Literature (5-8)	2026	ES / MS ELL
							Elementary Education (K-6)	2026	
69	Bloom, Samantha	1/16/2020	1004868	4	11	4	School Counselor (K-12)	2028	HS Counselor
70	Penick, Kacie	8/28/2020	441129	4	4	4	ECSped (B-Age 6), ECE (B-Grade 3)	2029	ECSE
on leave	Larson, Meghan	8/19/2020	1003520	4		4	Vocal and Classroom Music	2028	HS Music/Choir
71	Bartels, Emily	5/17/2021	509229	3	7	4	Speech Language Pathologist (PreK-12)	2028	Speech - MS, HS
72	Carlson, Kerry	6/21/2021	439815	3	6	4	Spanish (K-12)	2029	MS Spanish/EL
73	Desmarais-H, Jennifer	9/20/2021	350885	3	4	4	Elementary Education (1-6)	2027	HS Media Specialist (0.5) HS Avid (.34)
74	Kenady, Andrew	9/20/2021	486325	3	3	4	Communication Arts/Literature (5-12)	2028	HS English
75	Bratsch, Derek	7/1/2022	501036	2	5	4	Mathematics (5-12)	2028	HS Math
76	Veldhuizen, Abbey	8/16/2022	433223	2	4	4	Speech-Language Pathologist (PreK-12)	2025	District Speech/Patho
77	Rickart, Aaron	8/16/2022	513911	2	4	3	Physical Ed (K-12), Health (5-12), DAPE (PreK-12)	2025	Elem PE
78	Stall, Allyson	8/16/2022	1017222	2	4	3	Elementary Education (K-6)	2025	ES Grade 3
79	Sindelir, Erin	4/12/2023	453851	1	8	4	Elementary Education (K-6)	2026	MS SpEd, Student Support Spec.

