

Musical Greetings!

My name is Tracy Taylor and I have the privilege of being the music teacher here at Rudy. I have spent my entire teaching career (all 12 years) at Rudy and love the kids and our community. I can't wait to share my love of music with your student this year!

I'm excited for our grade level performances, Rudy Singers Choir and Rudy Rompers Swing Club and all the movement, instrument playing, singing and creating we will do each week in class.

I am a Colorado native and received my Bachelors of Music Education from UNC in Greeley, with my main instrument being clarinet. I am also a professional performer (dancing, singing and acting) and you can see me on stages throughout Colorado. Most recently, you may have seen me performing at the Fine Arts Center in *Barnum, Ben and the Magic Paintbrush* or *Matilda*; I have also performed with THEATREWORKS in their production of *Oklahoma!* I spent the summer performing at the Butte Theatre in Cripple Creek for Mountain Repertory's productions of *Grease* and *My Partner* (a classic melodrama). Next you can see me in *Busytown: The Musical* for the family series at the Fine Arts Center upstairs stage.

At home I love on my "fur-babies" Artoo Detoo (a terrier mutt) and Daisy (Golden Doodle) as much as possible. When I'm not at school, cuddling my pups or performing, you can find me, reading a book, hiking, or spending time with my friends and family.

I am a Level 3 certified Orff-Schulwerk teacher and use this approach in my classroom. If you don't know what Orff is, ask me any time – or ask your kids, they experience it every day in class! You can also check out this short video: <https://aosa.org/about/what-is-orff-schulwerk/>

I can't wait to share many musical experiences with you and your students this year and I look forward to all the musical adventures that lie ahead!