

I am Jill Renae (Lavin) Neumann and I do marketing and public relations for St. Francis Catholic School. I graduated from Brookings High School in Brookings, SD, and then continued at SDSU in Brookings where I completed a BS in Economics and English. Later, I completed some graduate work at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Hartford, CT.

My background is corporate and I worked for Norwest Bank in SD and then was a Financial Risk Consultant for United Healthcare in Hartford, CT. I was trained in Six Sigma, communication, process improvement, and group facilitation. I was a Black Belt Project Manager for GE Financial before leaving the corporate life for motherhood in 2003.

My husband works as an editor for In-Fisherman in Brainerd and we have 2 sons. Mitchell will start kindergarten at St. Francis in Fall of 2009 and Joseph will be 2 in June. I feel profoundly blessed to have my family. My hobbies include trying new things, skiing, gardening, enjoying the outdoors, reading and spending time with family and friends. I started Taekwondo 20 years ago and recently re-started. I presently hold the rank of 2<sup>nd</sup> degree at De Witt's Martial Arts in Brainerd.

I am proud to work with everyone at our school and try to portray God's light and love as it shines through our students, teachers, and staff.