

My name is Jeri Grady. I feel privileged to introduce myself as the new English Department Chair at St. Dominic Savio. I am a very proud 1989 graduate of Texas A & M University with a BS in Education and Curriculum. I am also a 2010 graduate of Lamar University with a Master's of Educational Administration. In addition to these academic degrees, I am also a very proud wife to Peter for the last 21 years and happy mom to our five children (PJ, Katie, Molly, Riley and Gracie). With our dogs, cat and fish, the "Grady Bunch" has lived in the Leander/ Austin area for 20 years.

In May, I completed my 22nd year as a teacher. The past 17 years have been in Leander ISD where I taught at elementary, middle, and high school levels. My elementary reading specialization, my middle school specialized writing training, and my high school position as campus teacher/ facilitator for gifted and talented students have allowed me a range of experiences for the students at Savio. I was also certified as a Pre-AP and AP English Teacher during the past four school years; I am excited to use this training to grow the AP program at Savio in the years to come.

In addition to teaching, I served as the Advisor for the Student Council at Vista Ridge High School for several years. I am excited to continue in the role as advisor for St. Dominic Savio's Student Government. I am certain that this group will be fun and successful as they practice leadership and service through many projects and activities. I am sure you will see these student leaders at many Savio events.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any concerns or questions at jgrady@saviochs.org. Please see the attached note concerning the summer reading assignments. I appreciate your patience for the slight change in plans and hope you find the new instructions clear and convenient. Again, please do not hesitate to contact me. Getting to know the parents and students is the BEST part of my job!