



Principal

Spotlight

**Dr. Catherine Gardner
Bonaire Elementary**

What do you love about your school?

I love how much all of our staff members genuinely love our students! It's evident in the relationships they build and the many ways they go above and beyond what is required of them to ensure our students and families have what they need academically, socially, and emotionally.

What do you love most about being a principal?

I believe in working hard and playing hard! One of my favorite things about being a principal is encouraging our students to set goals and then seeing how proud our students are of themselves when they accomplish those goals! Getting to celebrate those successes with everyone is the BEST...we work hard, but we have a lot of fun celebrating successes too!

Tell us about the person who inspired you to become a leader.

Paige Busbee was my principal when I worked at Mossy Creek Middle. She challenged me to be a teacher leader and provided me with opportunities to grow in the area of leadership. In addition, Paige continually nudged me to think beyond the four walls of my classroom. I am grateful for her leadership, encouragement, and the example she set.

Fun Fact

I love fine arts! I grew up performing in musicals, singing, playing violin and piano!