

Hello, friends!

My name is Vicki Watson. I was born in Cheyenne, Wyoming. I have lived in Wyoming, Ohio, Illinois, North Carolina before moving to Ironwood, Michigan.

I have been teaching special education classes since 1982. I graduated with a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Arts in Education from East Carolina University. I moved to Ironwood in 2000. My first year living here I taught in Ontonagon, Michigan. I had never driven in snow before as I moved here from the coast of North Carolina. That first year, we had around 290 inches of snow. I can now drive in snow. I began teaching in Ironwood the following year, and have been here since.

I firmly believe everyone can learn and will learn best in an environment of mutual respect and caring. I love what I do and really don't consider it a "job". It is more of a passion. This year is my 36th year teaching special education classes. Every August I look forward to coming back to school and being with the students.

My family and I love the area. Both of our sons graduated from Luther L. Wright. Our oldest son, Jonathan Hawley, graduated in 2004 and the younger one, David Hawley, graduated in 2013. Jonathan is now a government and political reporter at the Daily Advance in Elizabeth City, North Carolina. David went into the Army straight out of high school and has completed his service in the Army. He is now attending Ferris State University. My fantastic husband, Phil, works from home for a division of Time Magazine. He manages the NFL and NBA divisions for Fansided.com. He oversees 67 websites.

While I am at school, he works and keeps an eye on our two cats, Spot and Grey.

When I am not in school, I love my hobbies. I do surface embroidery, gold embroidery, hand quilting, wood carving and scrimshaw. Soon I hope to learn weaving also.