Newark Middle School Principal Teresa Prinzi has a new secretary. She’s Mandy Armstrong of Lyons who has lots of secretarial experience including working in that capacity for many years in various Wayne County departments and working for a time as an administrative assistant for former New York State Senator Michael Nozzolio.

Married and the mother of two grown children _ Mary, 21, who lives in Tulsa and plans to attend Tulsa University in the Spring to finish her degree in Broadcast Journalism, and Michael, 18, who will be a freshman at SUNY Geneseo in September _ Armstrong is happy about working in a school.

“This is the first school I’ve worked in and I like being around kids,” she said August 1st, her fourth day on her new job. “I did a lot of volunteer work and fundraising when my children attended St. Michael’s School in Newark and I enjoyed it. I’m excited to see what happens when the kids get here in September.”

She filled the vacancy created by Laura Crumb’s departure. Laura now works in the Newark Central School District Office as an Accounts Payable Clerk. Crumb replaced Linda Bray who is now the district’s part-time Internal Claims Auditor.

“Mandy brings a wealth of experience and organizational skills to this position,” said NMS Principal Teresa Prinzi. “She has hit the ground running as we are busy preparing for the start of the year. We are very excited to have her join our Middle School team.”

In addition to her new job, Armstrong also enjoys her sideline photography business _ Armstrong Photography _ in which she specializes in family and senior portraits. Her hobbies include nature photography, watercolor painting and crocheting, which she’s done since she was 7 years old.