

Nicole Frankenfield, formerly Nicole Telenko, graduated from Conemaugh Township Area Middle School/High School in 2009.

During her years at Conemaugh Township, Nicole enjoyed participating in many extracurricular activities. She was a member of the marching band and a participant in the musicals. Her fondest memories include Homecoming week and Friday night football games.

When asked what she missed most about her years at CTAMS/HS, she proudly shared, "I did not realize it at the time, but Conemaugh Township has such a fierce tradition of school pride and community, and I believe that is what I miss the most... and the outdoor grills!"

Nicole was, and still is, fond of Mrs. Gardenhour, the CTAMS/HS band director.

"Mrs. Gardenhour's teachings extended beyond music; she truly welcomed her students and established a community among us in the Music Department," stated Nicole. "She genuinely cared about her students, and it was always a joy to spend time in the Band Room or chat with her in her office."

Mrs. Bowman was another teacher appreciated by Mrs. Frankenfield.

"She encouraged my love of reading and writing," said Nicole when describing Mrs. Bowman. "She was the first teacher who made me realize I could become an educator myself. Her extra encouragement and guidance, especially in the last couple weeks of my senior year, helped me to establish myself in the English Education community at IUP. She made me feel like she truly believed in me, and I work hard to treat my current students the same way."

Immediately after graduating from high school, Nicole attended the Indiana University of Pennsylvania where she majored in Secondary English Education. There, she became involved with CRU, a faith-based campus ministry where she met her husband, Josh.

Shortly after graduation in May 2013, Nicole accepted a job in Berkeley County, West Virginia, teaching seventh grade Reading and Language Arts. A few weeks later she was married.

Mrs. Frankenfield currently resides in Greencastle, Pennsylvania, where her husband, Josh, and she enjoy beginning their careers together, traveling, becoming involved in their church and community, and most recently, starting their family.

