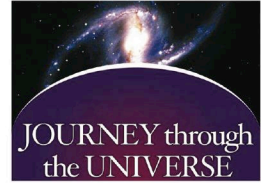


## Visiting Educator Profile



### **Deb Salberg**

Science Teacher, Grades 5-6  
J.A. Hughes Elementary School  
Red Lake Falls, MN

### **Bio**

Deb teaches 5th and 6th graders at J. A. Hughes Elementary, which is a small public school in northwestern Minnesota. She has been teaching for 35 years and earned her Master of Science in elementary and gifted education from Minnesota State University Moorhead. One of the best aspects of teaching for her is learning with her students. Deb, together with other teachers from her school, partnered with the Nature Conservancy's Glacial Ridge Project to monitor the restoration of prairie and wetlands for change over time, and the impact these changes have on flood control in the Red River Valley of the North. This ongoing project has been recognized for the innovative use of technology in teaching by Hewlett Packard, ISTE (International Society for Technology in Education), and The George Lucas Educational Foundation. Members of the team have also been asked to present at NECC (National Educational Computing Conference) in 2005 and 2006. Besides her classroom work, Deb is a member of the Science Quality Teaching Network, a board member for Minnesota Science Teachers Association, and a professional development activist for Minnesota's nationally recognized Teachers as Learners and Leaders program. She is also an active member of the MESSENGER Educator Fellowship Program, a national professional development initiative in which she has conducted ten workshops to train 120 teachers across the nation on NASA's MESSENGER mission to Mercury. Deb is excited about being part of the Journey through the Universe program, since it gives her the opportunity to share quality education materials with other teachers.