Welcome to the Summit Primary Centers!

Hello! My name is Ms. Pamela Southard, the Principal of Jefferson and Wilson Primary Centers. I have been dedicated to the field of early childhood and elementary education for my entire career and am focused on providing the best possible learning experiences for our youngest learners. I am honored to lead a school with such caring, hard working, and highly skilled staff members.  By collaborating with our families and community members, our strong relationships support the growth and success of all of our students.

I proudly joined the Summit Primary Centers as Principal in 2018.  During my time here, we have expanded Kindergarten to a Universal Full-Day program, incorporated STEM challenges, implemented the Math Workshop Model and World Language instruction, and continue our development of social-emotional learning through our Positive Behavior Supports in Schools program, initially supported by a grant from the Summit Educational Foundation.

Previously, I successfully taught for 13 years in the Flemington-Raritan School District as a Kindergarten, 3rd grade, and K-4 Math and Reading Support Skills Teacher.  I hold a Bachelor’s degree in Economics and German, as well as a Masters of Education from Rutgers University. I earned my second Master’s degree in Educational Leadership from Montclair State University.

I look forward to building strong relationships between home and school and to providing challenging academic opportunities in a student centered, nurturing, and fun environment.  Everyone here at The Primary Centers looks forward to meeting you!