Marci Reddish taught in the public school system for 31 years. She spent that time in kindergarten, upper elementary and middle school grades. She enjoyed working with the elementary kids, but found her true passion was teaching mathematics all day, every day. Marci’s greatest professional joy was watching her students gain confidence in their math identity. Marci is in her third year as a regional specialist at ISU. She loves helping teachers see the importance of striving for understanding instead of mimicking among their students. She has been diving deep into different coaching types, math interventions, and how to effectively begin math classes each day. Marci’s greatest desire is for teachers to understand their role in developing a safe and welcoming environment where ideas can be freely shared, and trusting relationships are formed. When not doing or exploring math, Marci spends her time playing with her 6 grandkids, running, reading, hiking, and watching Korean shows.