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August 17, 2009

Dear Parents/Guardians:

As we conclude our summer season, and prepare for the opening of school, please let me take a few minutes to update you with information regarding our 2009/2010 school year, which begins on Monday, August 31.

- 1. STAR Test Results** - We have enclosed a copy of our most recent individual student STAR results for last year's grades 2-8 students. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have regarding your child or young person's results.
- 2. Staffing Information** - We are pleased to announce our teaching faculty and staff and their assignments for the upcoming school year. You may have heard of the recent retirement of two of the district's senior teachers: Mrs. Sally Jacobs and Mrs. Jean Janckila. These two teachers have provided many years of service to the district and community. We congratulate them and wish them the best in their retirement. Mrs. Janckila will continue to provide part-time retired teacher services as a Reading Specialist, supporting the reading and literacy needs of primary grades students, individually and in small groups.

Miss Lorna Glenn will return to a classroom teaching position this year. Miss Glenn is an experienced teacher with many years in the classroom. We welcome her services to students directly and wish her a most successful year.

Mrs. Maurene Donner will serve as our K-8 Lead Teacher and will move from the classroom to the school office. Most of you know Mrs. Donner, as she has taught in the district for many years. Mrs. Donner will work closely with teachers, staff, parents, and students to make sure our school's day-to-day operations are successful. Mrs. Donner will serve as my designee and will be responsible for on-site supervision of our K-8 program.

A complete Faculty and Staff Roster will be sent home during the first week of school. Please join me in welcoming our teachers and staff to the new year. Faculty assignments are as follows for the upcoming school year.

Lead Teacher	Mrs. Donner
Kindergarten	Mrs. Turner
First Grade	Mrs. Larsen
Second Grade	Mrs. Allan
Third Grade	Mrs. Keller; Mrs. Grayson
Fourth Grade	Ms. Lake; Miss Glenn
Fifth Grade	Ms. Sorensen; Ms. Shelley
Sixth Grade	Mrs. Elliott; Mr. Carnahan
Seventh/Eighth Grades	Mr. Donohue (Math), Mr. Scott (History/Social Science), Ms. Roberts (English) Mrs. Shimamura (Science)
Special Education	Mrs. Talmadge; Ms. Hunt
Reading Specialist	Mrs. Janckila
Music Specialist	Ms. Apolonia Visser-Schoutens
GATE	Mrs. Laura Olesen
Physical Education	Ms. Ashlee Madrid
English Learner Specialist	Ms. Flor Del Toro

3. Labor Day Holiday – Just a reminder that Monday, September 7, will be a school holiday in recognition of Labor Day. School will be closed for this holiday.

4. School Lunch Information - Information on our school lunch program will be sent home during the first week of school. Lunches will be served, beginning Monday, September 14.

5. Class Information - Class lists will be posted at both campuses on Friday, August 28, after 5:00 p.m.

Feel free to call me at 686-7300 with any questions or should you wish further information regarding the above. Here's to a safe and restful remainder of summer... and to an outstanding 2009/2010 school year! See you August 31!

For our College Kids,

James D. Brown
Superintendent/Principal

c: Maurene Donner, Lead Teacher; K-8 Faculty and Staff;
Kathy Davis, School Secretary; Martha Lorenz, District Administrative Secretary