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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back for the new school year. Summer seemed to fly by. However, the weather was great and I hope you had the opportunity to rest and relax.

School begins on Friday September 6th. Students in grades 5-8 ride the yellow bus and high school students take the Metro bus. Families of students riding the yellow bus should have received busing information. Each high school student, who resides 1.5 miles or more from school, has a Metro bus pass. New high school students will receive their Metro pass from security on the first day of school. Yellow bus shuttles for high school students are as follows: Bus 600 is at the Delevan station and leaves the station at 7:44 a.m. and Bus #601 is at the LaSalle Station and leaves at 7:37 a.m. I know that parents, especially of younger students, always have concerns about safety during the first few days of school. Staff is always stationed outside and throughout the building to assist students as they make their way to their homerooms, their lockers, and their bus.

The following individuals have joined our faculty for the upcoming school year:

Teachers

Kevin Brick – Special Education
Brenda Cowe – Library
Elizabeth Ganci – Social Studies
Mario Granata - Math
Donna Kerr - Instrumental Music
Kelly Marsh – Reading
TBA - Guidance
Valerie Perry – Special Education
Karen Richie – Spanish
Jose Rivera – Art
Carol Romanchuk – French
Magdalena Sidell – Spanish
Heather Stoczynski – Computer Science (Virtual)
Michael Webster – Physical Education
Ashley Welka – Spanish

Preparing for the new school year I know parents spend a substantial amount of money on school supplies. In order to help us locate the owners of lost items, please make sure your child's name is on their folders, notebooks and book bags. Also, students should have a lock on their lockers.

Parents are a necessary to the success of our school program. Collaboration between home and school is vital for a child to succeed academically and socially. A *Back to School Night* is scheduled for September 17, 2019 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. At that time, in addition to meeting your child's teachers, three 20 minute sessions will be held dealing with the social and emotional well-being of students. We ask that at least one parent/guardian of each student attend one of the sessions as it is important that parents know what the school is doing around issues of social and emotional well-being. More information will be given out next week.

Once again, welcome back for the new school year. I look forward to welcoming everyone back this week. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 816.4330.

Sincerely,
Michael Gruber
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Principal