## Beecher Road School

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Dear Parent of a Sixth Grade Student,

As always, I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones healthy. I wanted to share with you the way I ended my letter to your child in their 6th grade yearbook. I said, "I'll leave you with a quote from the great Abraham Lincoln. He says, "The best way to predict your future is to create it." So, my wish for you is this: that you go forth, and create your own future. May it be everything you dream of."

Some of your children joined us seven years ago. Some might have joined us sooner. Whenever you and your graduating child joined us, no one predicted this is how they would close out their chapter at Beecher; and begin to create their future. In an effort to provide you and your children with a promotion ceremony, we have planned a special day for them on the last day of school, June 15th. A pre-recorded promotion ceremony will be shared with you to watch the morning of June 15th. I hope that you enjoy this as a family, and maybe even share it with the loved ones that might have joined you at the live ceremony. After that, we invite you to come to Beecher, where your child can pick up their diploma and a keepsake graduation ceremony program. They will also have an opportunity for a photo-op. We will set up three locations for you to take a picture of your child and your family. Please come to the North entrance of the school between the hours of 11:30 and 3:30. You will see diplomas, graduation programs and three photo-op spots right outside the north entrance. We ask that you observe all safety protocols: maintain social distance of six feet or more and do not come to the campus if you are ill or have come into contact with someone who is ill.

We are enormously grateful to the PTO for all of their support in this endeavor. They will be providing all 6th graders with some special gifts. Look for information from them.

Your children are a gift. It has been my honor to work with them these last five years and I will truly miss each and every one of them. I look forward to hearing about their adventures as they move onto middle school.

Wishing you all joy and best wishes as you, too, begin your next chapter: as the parent of a middle school child.

Warmly, Analisa Sherman