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Dear Families,

Welcome to Sand's Montessori! My name is Beth Tracy-Kaliski and I am excited to be working with your children and you, this year as we all become part of the Sands community.

I have my Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Xavier University in Montessori education, my Ohio teaching license with reading endorsement, and my beginning and advanced Orton Gillingham certification. I also have my American Montessori Society credential for 3-6 year olds. I have taught adults the Montessori method at various training programs across the country, have presented at national and local Montessori conferences, and love to mentor student teachers in the classroom. While I have been working with 3-6 year olds in a Montessori environment for over 35 years, this will be my fourth year at Sands, and I am thrilled to be working in such a collaborative, professional environment.

On a personal note, I have been married for over 20 years, have a son who just recently graduated college, and a feisty dog who takes me on long walks. My belief in lifelong learning and growth keeps things interesting for sure, and I believe it's my responsibility to continue to improve myself. Life is a beautiful gift with many layers and throughout our lives, we get to experience each one of those layers in beautiful, unexpected ways.

My goal in working with your children is to get to know them as they are, and help them improve and become the best version of themselves they can be while learning. I'm excited to get to meet them, and you, and look forward to being a partner in your child's development this year.

Please let me know what name you and your child prefer to be called, your child's birthdate, and three things you think are important for me to know about your child. You can email me at kaliskb@cpsboe.k12.oh.us. Most of my communication will be by email, so please be sure I have the email you prefer for communication from me.

Have a wonderful summer and can't wait to meet you all in the fall!

In love and peace,

Beth Tracy-Kaliski