



Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is my pleasure to welcome you and your child to the 2026-2027 school year at Mill Creek Elementary School, and to introduce myself as your child's special education case manager this year. This is sure to be a wonderful year full of learning, fun, and growth as we celebrate your child and all of the amazing things s/he can accomplish!

I am very excited to begin this new school year, my eighth at Mill Creek Elementary School and my twenty-third year in education. A little about me: Prior to earning my Master's Degree in Special Education with Autism Endorsement from Saint Joseph's University, I earned my Bachelor's Degree in Music Education from Temple University. I am the proud mother of two children, my eighth grader Miles and tenth grader Ellie. My husband, Phil, is also a teacher. We also have three crazy cats, Nutmeg, Cocoa, and Fireball.

Our classroom is rooted in a growth mindset, working together as a community to create a positive space in which children feel welcome, safe, and inspired to explore. Multi-sensory and differentiated lessons are carefully crafted to provide variety and flexibility. Your child will be held to high expectations to encourage success, while his/her unique learning style and needs are nurtured.

Communication is critical to supporting your child's success, and your thoughts and questions are important to me. Please do not hesitate to email should you wish to get in touch. I will also be available during the Back to School Night on Tuesday, September 8th from 5:30-6:00pm in Room 229 (at the end of the 5th grade hallway). Your child will receive an invitation this week. Kindly RSVP by either completing the form and returning it or emailing me your RSVP by September 7th.

I am looking forward to an amazing year, and can't wait to get started!

Sincerely,

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