

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2020/2021 school year! I am excited to have your child in my class!

Some background information about me: I live in Navarre, am married to a firefighter, and have 3 sons-- ages 24, 16, and 11. I like boating in the summer and watching football in the fall-- Go Noles! I have been at Holley-Navarre Middle School since October 2016 where I began as a paraprofessional in the Behavior Unit. I love the family atmosphere of this school and am excited to be teaching here!

I know the way our previous school year ended was scary and difficult for you and your child. I also know that going back to the "brick and mortar" school was not an easy decision for your family. I want to assure you that we are taking every precaution to ensure the health, safety, and overall well-being for your child. Because of current circumstances, we will not be able to have a face-to-face open house. As a result, please visit my website (see link below) to view a virtual tour.

Our classroom will focus on Academics and life/social skills. Your child will be taught the four core subjects (math, language arts/reading, science, and social studies). In addition, we will work on life/social skills such as cooking, laundry, and interacting with others using proper communication tools. We will be doing cooking projects so if your child has any allergies, please let me know as soon as possible. I set aside a time later in the afternoon for a snack. If you would like to send a snack for your child, please send a healthy snack and drink. Since the water fountains are not in use, also please provide a water bottle. We will be taking some CBI (Community Based Instruction) field trips later in the year. You will receive information about those trips at a later date. Our schedule is attached and we will try very hard to adhere to this.

I have attached a "Getting to Know Your Child" form. Please have this filled out and returned to me no later than Friday of the first week of school.

I am looking forward to a great year! Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions/concerns or information about your child.

Thank you,

Jenny Darden

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