

The Elk Ridge School Oxford, PA

Newsletter Date August/September 2018

## Welcome New ER Staff

Please welcome our new staff members:

Teaching Music – Miss Kurtz

Miss Kurtz is certified Pre-K to 12 to Music. She has a Bachelor's Degree from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. You might recognize her; she just finished student teaching at Elk Ridge and Penn's Grove this past school year.

Teaching Special Education – Miss Stahl

Miss Stahl is certified in elementary education Pre-K to 4 and special education Pre-K to 8. She has a Bachelor's Degree from Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania.

Attendance Secretary - Miss Murphy

Miss Murphy will be joining us as our attendance secretary. She has worked for Elk Ridge this past year as one of our cafeteria/playground aides. She has also worked for the YMCA for many years. She is an Oxford graduate and an Oxford community member.

Speech and Language Pathologist - Mrs. Mullen

Mrs. Mullen is certified in Speech and Language Impaired Pre-K to 12. She has a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Delaware and a Master's Degree from West Chester University of Pennsylvania. Mrs. Mullen previously worked in Oxford for many years and is now returning.

Teaching 1<sup>st</sup> grade ESL – Miss Darragh

Miss Darragh is certified in elementary education Pre-K to 4 and as a program specialist in English as a Second Language Pre-K to 12. Miss Darragh has a a Bachelor's Degree from Messiah College. She is also and Oxford community member.

Cafeteria/Playground Aide - Mrs. Garduno

Mrs. Garduno joins us from the home health care field. She is also an Oxford community member.

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Cafeteria/Playground Aide - Mrs. Lamb

Mrs. Lamb has worked at Sacred Heart for many years. She is an Oxford community member.

### Welcome Back

I hope that everyone enjoyed their summer time off and was able to spend some relaxation time with their friends and family.

All of the teachers and staff members at Elk Ridge have been working hard in preparation for the new school year.

Our first day of school went very well and we thank everyone for their assistance and patience. Enjoy the upcoming holiday weekend as we look forward to a great school year.



# Wickersham Entrance and Morning Arrival

The Wickersham entrance is used for our drop off and dismissal for car riders. Please remember to stay in a single file line and have your child exit the passenger side onto the walkway. If you plan to walk your child to the door, please park in a parking spot, **do not park in the drop off line** as this will cause the line to stop and people to go around you causing a potentially dangerous situation.

We have a 33 car parking lost just off the Wickersham exit. All of these spots are available for drop off and pick up. Please use the new spots along with the open parking spots in the Wickersham lot to park and help alleviate the morning traffic issues.

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#### Reminders to Students

- Bring completed Summer Reading to school
- 2. Return completed items in manila envelope (after the first day of school)

#### Reminders to Parents

- Please complete and return all of the items in the manila envelope (this will be coming home on the first day of school)
- Wickersham entrance when dropping off in the morning and picking up in the afternoon please stay in a single file line and have your child exit on the passenger side onto the walk way.
- 3. Update any of your information that has changed this summer stop in or call the main office.

#### Calendar Events

#### First Day of School

Monday August 26

#### Holiday school closure

Friday August 30 and Monday Sept. 2

#### **Elk Ridge Open House**

Thursday September 12. Parents can enter at 6:15 P.M. The 1<sup>st</sup> session starts at 6:30 P.M.

#### **Picture day**

Tuesday September 24

#### **Principal's Coffee**

Thursday September 26 at 8:30 in the ER faculty room

#### **Book Fair**

October 7 to 11

#### 1st Grade Orchard Field Trip

Wednesday and Thursday October 9 and 10

## Special Thanks

Special thanks are due the following people:

Mr. Gary and the cleaning crew for thoroughly cleaning the building this summer.

**Mrs. Irving for** all of the ordering and movement of supplies throughout the summer as well as all of the paperwork and preparation to open our school.

**Interview committee members** for volunteering your time this summer in find the best possible candidates for our students.

**BLT committee members** for volunteering your time this summer so that we are more prepared for the upcoming school year.

**Summer school teachers** – Mrs. Intonato, Ms. Baity, Ms. Hunsicker, Mrs. McConnell, Mrs. Sharp, Mrs. Finnegan, Miss Duncan and Miss Goggin for all of your hard work this summer for our students.