

Dear David Harrison Families,

What a time to be a Husky! I hope your families are healthy and eager to return to learning. As we prepare to learn together, I would like to share a little about myself. This summer I moved to Springfield from northeastern South Dakota. My daughter is a NICU nurse at Mercy, and my son is a junior education major at Evangel. Hiking and floating are two of my favorite "new experiences" in Missouri! Joining the Harrison family brings me great joy, and I am eager to build relationships with the community we serve.

The first day of school is Monday, August 24th, and our DHE staff is working hard to welcome our students back to their classrooms. We recognize that our families faced a difficult decision- virtual or seated- but we remain hopeful this year will bring us all back together to our Husky Learning Community!

New staff members joining our team include:

- Music: Hailey Acklin
- 3rd Grade: Priscillia Abrams
- Head Custodian: Angie Johnson
- Wonder Years: Emily Endacott

Please join us for **Meet the Teacher** on Monday, August 20th from 5:00 to 6:30 for families to meet their classroom teachers and other DHE staff. Make sure to follow the directional signs for a safe and enjoyable experience. We ask that everyone remain in their cars to keep the line flowing smoothly.

SPECIAL NOTE for the 2019-2020 KINDERGARTENERS!

- First stop, bus loop! Celebrate your promotion to 1st grade with a special experience. At this stop, parents and students may exit the car for a picture
- Then drive to the regular DHE Meet the Teacher.

Information this year may change rapidly, so please watch for communication from school. Many of the routines are changing for the safety of us all, but we will adjust to these new methods TOGETHER. Details will be outlined in our Back-to-School Packet. I look forward to meeting you on Thursday, August 20th from 5:00-6:30!

All the Best,

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