

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to both the returning families that I have had the pleasure of working with and to the new families that will join us at West Kingston. I hope you and your family had a wonderful summer enjoying the pleasant and warm sunny days. As we begin this school year, I just wanted to let you know a bit about me and go over a few important points.

This year I will be your child's special education teacher. I have been fortunate to work at West Kingston Elementary School for over 25 years and prior to working at West Kingston, I was employed for 10 years at Harmony Hill, a private school. I received my Bachelor of Science Degree from Rhode Island College and my Master of Arts Degree from the University of Connecticut. Since I am a lifelong learner, I have earned well over 40 additional credits beyond my master's degree. I am constantly seeking out relevant workshops, webinars, and conferences as I strive to be the best I can be.

With all that said, I work diligently with all children, expecting them to work up to their full potential. I am a fair, firm, and nurturing teacher who wants only the best for your child. I carefully review each IEP in order to implement the plan for school success. I embrace the inclusion model. The classroom teacher and I will work together so IEP goals can be addressed and met. My goal will be to have your child feel capable in their respective grade level while working hard to reach their grade level expectations.

Communication is yet another important element for school success. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any concerns and/or questions by phone (360-1130 extension 1154) or by email using my school address (nlenoce-walsh@skschools.net). If your preference is to speak to me in person, we can set up a mutually agreed appointment time either before or after school. The parent/teacher relationship is essential to establish and maintain and I look forward to working with you all. Let us all work together for the common goal of a successful academic year.

Sincerely,

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