

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Caregivers,

Welcome to a new school year! My name is Mr. Gosselin and I am excited to have your child in my classroom this upcoming school year! I am also looking forward to working with you to make this upcoming school year Successful one.

For those of you that don't know me, this is my 5th year teaching at Lea Elementary and 10th year within the school district of Philadelphia overall. I graduated with a bachelor's degree in social studies education from Shippensburg University in 2007 and obtained my master's degree as a Reading Specialist in 2014 from West Chester University.

Students, you should know that not only do I have high expectations for each of you this year, but you should have high expectations for yourself. Your Eighth-grade year is extremely important for your future, not only for high school but for college and beyond so it is very important that you begin to begin to act and become the person that you want to be.

Don't be afraid to ask questions and enjoy learning not only in my classroom but in every classroom that you walk into as I and each teacher and adult you encounter help you prepare for high school and beyond.

Lastly, I hope you understand that becoming a success this school year is not limited to what you do in the classroom and in school, you also need to take it beyond the boundaries of 47th and Locust. Bring your work home with you and get your families/caregivers involved with what you are doing in the class!

Let's make this a successful school year!

"Success is going from Failure to Failure without loss of enthusiasm"-Winston Churchill

Sincerely,

Mr. Gosselin