

August 6, 2019

Dear Central Elementary Families:

On behalf of the entire faculty and staff, I would like to welcome you to another great year of learning at Central Elementary! We would especially like to welcome our many new North Polk families, as well as our Fifth Grade families joining us from West Elementary! Our custodians, building and grounds staff, support staff, and teachers have been working very hard to prepare for the upcoming school year. I hope you will join me in thanking them for all of their hard work and dedication to our students and schools here at North Polk!

We have some new staff members and teaching assignment changes for the upcoming school year:

- **Mrs. Meredith Rumohr** has been hired to teach Fifth Grade to replace Mrs. Kathy Sorenson, due to retirement.
- **Ms. Veronica Briley** will be a full time Special Education teacher due to increased numbers.
- **Mrs. Molly Sheldahl** is returning to Third Grade after a year leave of absence. She will also be a Mentor Teacher, due to Mrs. Kathy Sorenson's retirement.
- **Mrs. Lisa Jones** has transferred to Fifth Grade to replace Mrs. Connie Boyd, due to retirement.
- There are Special Education Paraeducator positions that still need to be filled.

These professionals all bring various years of experience in teaching with them and a tremendous amount of passion and expertise!

Back-to-School Night is Wednesday, August 21 from 4:30 to 7:00pm.

- Families can bring their students in for pictures starting at 2:30pm.
- School Pictures will be taken in our Cafeteria from 2:30pm to 7:00pm. If your child is unable to attend, makeups will be taken at a later date.
- **Teachers will be available and families can enter classrooms starting at 4:30pm.** From 4:30pm to 7:00pm families can enter classrooms, meet their teachers, and deliver school supplies.

Attention Fifth Grade Families – You will be receiving an additional email with details on our 5th Grade Informational Night. This Informational Night is on Tuesday, August 20. It starts at 5:00pm. This meeting will provide an opportunity to meet our awesome 5th Grade team and learn a little about what 5th Grade at Central Elementary is all about!

Our first day of school for Kindergarten through Fifth Grade students will be on Friday, August 23. Preschool classes will start on Tuesday, August 27. The first day of school is such an exciting day! ☺

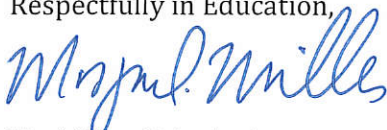
Our **Student/Family Handbook** is available on our website. To access the Handbook online, follow these steps.

- On a computer, navigate to www.northpolk.org
- Click on the **Our Schools** box in the upper right of the screen.
- Click on **Central Elementary School**.
- Hover over **Our School** in the upper left of the screen in the top red bar.
- Click on **Handbook**.

The handbook contains helpful information and school expectations and we ask that all families review it annually. Our Weekly Newsletter is also available on our website. Click on **Weekly Newsletter**. All families are encouraged to review the newsletter each week for school information and updates.

Thank you in advance for all of your support and involvement with Central Elementary! We hope that you will continue to take advantage of the many opportunities to be active in our school by volunteering and also becoming a member of Central's awesome PTA. By working together, North Polk Central Elementary will continue to be the greatest place for our students to learn and thrive!

Respectfully in Education,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mr. Miller". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Mr. Miller, Principal
Central Elementary
North Polk Community School District