

# BRLS – a Ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church

Principal's Report 7/15/18

## **Ephesians 3:17-19 9 (CEB)**

*I ask that Christ will live in your hearts through faith. As a result of having strong roots in love, I ask that you'll have the power to grasp love's width and length, height and depth, together with all believers. I ask that you'll know the love of Christ that is beyond knowledge so that you will be filled entirely with the fullness of God.*

## **Staff**

There are a few changes to our staff for the upcoming year. Also, many of our staff will have slightly different duties. We are both excited and a bit nervous, as would be expected, about the new school year. These changes will build on the strengths of each team member and help us better serve the students God has entrusted to us.

Ms. Bean	7 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Homeroom – Junior High Math & Science, Primary grades Science
Mrs. Welsh & Mrs. Mengarelli	6 <sup>th</sup> Homeroom – French, Junior High PE, Junior High History, Robotics, Title I Teacher
Mrs. McGehee	5 <sup>th</sup> Homeroom – Junior High English & Lit, Primary grades Language Arts
Mrs. Buvens	4 <sup>th</sup> Homeroom – self-contained (shared PE and/or Art with 3 <sup>rd</sup> )
Mrs. Hebert	3 <sup>rd</sup> Homeroom – self-contained (shared PE and/or Art with 4 <sup>th</sup> )
Mrs. Pourciau	2 <sup>nd</sup> Homeroom – self-contained mornings with 1-2 in the afternoon
Mrs. Moyer	K Homeroom – K-1 in the morning with K self-contained in the afternoon
Mrs. Wiseman	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Algebra
Sarah Wagner	School Music
Kenzie Woltemath	TBD – possibilities include subbing (long and/or short term), Art, Religion
TBD	Band – I have 4-5 candidates

## **Curriculum**

Five staff members attended a Eureka Math workshop in New Orleans two weeks ago. Great experience! The new program appears to be an excellent resource as we strive to take ALL our students to a higher level of Math mastery. You can expect updates as the year progresses.

Pastor Greg and I have been researching and will be reviewing/finalizing our plans for the Junior High religion curriculum in the coming weeks. Our continuing goal is to provide meaningful and engaging opportunities for students to strengthen their personal relationship with their Lord. We plan to use a combination of Bible Studies, catechism topics, and mission/service events to let the Word flow through BRLS to our students. The lower and middle grades will continue with their current Bible Story driven curriculum which has served us well for many years.

During the upcoming year, we will review both our Language Arts curriculum and Science curriculum.

## **Student Body**

As we prepare for a new school year, we say good bye to our 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduates as they enter high school and to our preschool & pre-kindergarten classes as they move to the new campus on Harrell's Ferry. Our numbers may be down but our family is growing stronger every day. With upgrades to our curriculum and facilities combined with additional family and student events we hope to make this a year to remember!

## **Future**

The future is always filled with uncertainties. Ours is no different. The Lord will strengthen us through our current and future challenges. We focus our eyes not merely on the moving of our campus to a new building and a new mission field but more importantly we continue to focus our eyes on Jesus as we remain **Anchored in Christ** throughout our lives.

An Educational Advisory Committee (similar to a School Board) will hold its first official meeting before the 2018-19 school year begins. A separate committee focused on the moving of BRLS to the Harrell's Ferry campus is feverishly working to build the best possible new home for BRLS ASAP.