



# Barberton City Schools

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August 3, 2015

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the 2015-2016 school year! I would like to share great news with you for the upcoming school year. I have been named the new building principal of Barberton Elementary School West. As many of you know, I have been the Associate Principal for the last two years. During this time, I have come to know many of the students and families. I am glad to share this exciting time with the wonderful people I have met and the new members of our BEW family.

Just in case you did not know, I have been with the Barberton City School District for nine years and prior to that, taught for seven years at St. Hilary School in Fairlawn. I was an elementary teacher for one year at Santrock Elementary and one year at Portage Elementary. My first year in administration was at the elementary level and then I was placed at Barberton High School where I spent the next four years as an assistant principal. I made a choice to come back to the elementary level as an Associate Principal with the goal to become a principal at the elementary level. I am so excited to have achieved this goal at Barberton Elementary School West!

Just to remind you of a few important dates...

***Class Lists Posted***

Friday, August 14 at 5:00pm

***Open House***

Tuesday, August 18 from 4:30pm-6:00pm

***First Day of School (1-4)***

Wednesday, August 19

***First Day for Kindergarten***

Wednesday, August 19 (*Last names A-I*)

Thursday, August 20 (*Last names J-Q*)

Friday, August 21 (*Last names R-Z*)

**Welcome to Our New Staff!**

We would like to welcome our new staff members to our BEW family this school year

Mrs. Skala - 3rd grade

Mrs. Littlejohn - 3rd grade

Mrs. Planitzer - Music Teacher

Mrs. Boland - School Psychologist

Mr. Saunders - Associate Principal

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Please continue to promote reading and math facts in the home daily. We will also encourage our students to follow the Magic Way: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Ready to Learn. Teachers and staff will discuss these expectations and model the character traits expected. Have discussions daily about your student's behavior at school. Ask them, "What did you learn today?" and "What color were you on today?" We will continue to recognize students for outstanding behavior with Positive Referrals.

We are working with the administration office and Barberton City Police Department to ensure the safety and security of each one of our 700+ students during arrival and dismissal times. As a result, we *may* be making minor adjustments to our morning and afternoon parking lot procedures. We want to make sure we do this in a timely manner but also make sure our students, staff and other parents are safe. Please look for more information coming home soon.

Please see the Barberton Elementary School West webpage at any time for updates of news and events. We will also continue to use One Call Now, newsletters and social media to update families on upcoming events and news at BEW. Please make sure we have your current phone number and email address on file in the classroom and office.

Enjoy the rest of your summer! See you soon for a fantastic school year!!

Ms. Wiles