



Dear Families,

Welcome to Mrs. Shea's third-grade class! I am incredibly excited to be on the team at Central School and am so pleased to be teaching your child this year.

First, a little about me. Eight years ago my family made the move to the North Shore, which put us close to family, friends, and countless opportunities. My husband, two young sons, and rescue dog cannot think of a more desirable community to live in. We love to explore neighborhood parks, go boating, swim, and ride bikes—basically, if you're outside, I'm sure we'll run into one another.

Of course, professional success and advancement has also driven me for years. I have earned both a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and a Master's degree in curriculum and instruction from National Louis University. My experience includes fourteen years teaching elementary school, and before that, two years of leading all programming at Evanston's McGaw YMCA Camp Echo. As a teacher, I have been selected to train my colleagues in Social-Emotional Learning, to test-pilot curriculum initiatives, and to speak before a Congressional sub-committee in Washington, D.C.

Key to each classroom success is my relationship with you, the parents. I hope I can we can work as partners to effectively satisfy your goals for your child. Please never hesitate to contact me with any question or concern, no matter how slight. I am available by phone, by email, and in-person by appointment. I will also keep you regularly advised of what's going on in the classroom.

Within the classroom, I strive to create a community where children feel cared for, are challenged, and are free to be themselves. By building trusting relationships and connecting with my students, I want them to feel safe and be ready to take educated risks. I am thrilled to witness with you the achievements your third-grader will attain over the next nine months!

All the Best,

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