



Booth Hill Elementary School

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From the Principal

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Dear Parent(s), Guardian(s), and the Booth Hill Elementary School Community,

It is both a pleasure and honor to serve as Booth Hill Elementary School's principal for the 2016-2017 school year. I am sure you are as ready as I am to start the year anew. As I welcome you to the new school year, I think back and reflect to the past when I was in elementary school. I remember the anticipation - waiting to see who my teacher might be, getting back to visit classmates I hadn't seen over the summer, school supply shopping, and although I would miss summer, I was eager to start a new school year and learn new things. That anticipation has not changed. I still look forward to a new school year, albeit with a different perspective.

As your summer draws to a close and the business of a new school year begins, I want you to know that the mission of the school and one that I am proud to be a part of is of high student academic and social expectations, and commitment to the education, growth, and development of each child who enters our doors. Much planning and preparation on behalf of all members of the Booth Hill school community were completed this busy summer. Primarily, I would like to welcome the newest members of the BHS faculty and staff who may be working with your child:

- Mrs. Lindsay Armstrong – Library/Media Specialist
- Ms. Lisa Castle – Paraprofessional
- Mr. David DeLucia – School Psychologist
- Mrs. Kim Gugliotti, Math Specialist
- Mr. Peter Hudson, Tutor
- Ms. Kelly Kobak, Intern
- Ms. Joanna Nappi – School Social Worker
- Ms. Lauren Orlovsky – School Nurse
- Mr. Ken Palmer, Tutor
- Ms. Stephanie Simon, Substitute
- Ms. Michelle Soltis – Special Educator
- Mr. Oren Tepper – Special Educator
- Mr. Will Wood – Tutor

As I was a member of almost every hiring committee, I have high expectations that each new member will be a great fit for our school. For other school information and an entire faculty listing, please visit the Booth Hill

Website where you can find the BHS Parent Information 2016-2017. You can navigate to our page by the district's website – www.sheltonpublicschools.org and then click on Booth Hill Elementary School.

In addition to these staff changes, teachers have been hard at work preparing their classrooms and curriculum for the opening days and weeks of school. Many teachers worked on curricula this past summer which we hope will engage and inspire learning both in and out of school. We will keep our learning expectations high as we know that our students will strive to meet them throughout the year. We also value our partnership with you – the parents and guardians – as we realize that this partnership will ultimately lead to maximized student learning and achievement and the realization of our school and community goals and mission.

On a final specific curricular note, you may notice as you walk into our building that there is a poster titled, “Word of the Week.” This is aligned to the district program which will support vocabulary development and acquisition in all of our schools. There will be one word we use each week, posted in our school, and referred to by our faculty. We want to make sure that when you hear your child talking about the *word of the week* that you are aware of what it is and can support it at home.

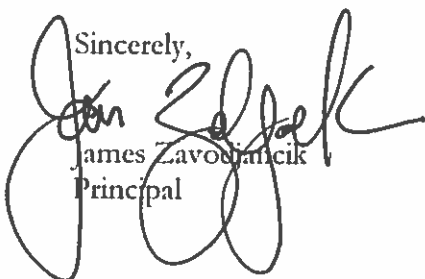
I also want to alert you to some September school wide events.

- September 2 - Kindergarten Bus Safety Day at 9:30 A.M.
- September 2 – New Student Orientation at 11:00 A.M.
- September 9 – PTO Fundraiser Begins
- September 19 – PTO Meeting at 6:30 P.M.
- September 23 – PTO Ice Cream Social at 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.
- September 26 – Back to School Night – Come meet your child’s teacher – at 6:30 P.M.

In closing, I want you to know that I look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at events. Please help us in continuing to make BHS a great place to learn and achieve. If you have any questions or comments, please call me at (203) 929-5625 or email me at JZavodjancik@sheltonpublicschools.org. I will return all calls and inquiries.



Lastly, for the most up-to-date information and postings, please *follow me* on Twitter [@BoothHillSchool](https://twitter.com/BoothHillSchool).

Happy New School Year!

Sincerely,

James Zavodjancik
Principal

BOOTH HILL SCHOOL PARENT CALENDAR

September 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 New Student Orientation @11:00 K Bus Safety Day @9:30	3
4	5 LABOR DAY NO SCHOOL	6 First Day of School for Students	7	8	9 Yankee Candle Fundraiser Begins	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 Cub Scouts @6:30-8:30	17 Constitution Day
18	19 PTO Mtg. @6:30	20 CCD 3:45-5:00	21	22 First Day of Autumn	23 Back to School Ice Cream Social 6-8	24
25	26 BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT	27 CCD 3:45-5:00	28 Fundraiser Ends BOE Meeting @ 7:00 pm	29	30 Brownie Troop (60188) 3:45-5:15	

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