



August 27, 2018

Dear Odyssey Charter Families,

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you back for another year here at Odyssey Charter Lower School. The past school year was a fantastic one with our students showing tremendous growth with their learning. The summer months provide an excellent opportunity to catch up with friends, relax, and recharge for another year of learning. We also hope that your student(s) have been reading and working on their summer packets.

The 2018-2019 school year promises to be another great one here at Odyssey. Our staff has been working all summer preparing for the upcoming school year. The administration has been working closely with our PTO to plan outstanding activities and events throughout the upcoming school year. Our custodial staff has been cleaning, painting, and preparing the building to look fantastic when the students return.

We have a few new staff who I would like to introduce: We have a new student advisor, Mrs. Chasity Steele, who taught first grade here at Odyssey. Before coming to Odyssey, Chasity was an elementary teacher and instructional coach. Ms. Ann McKee will be a special education teacher working with our Kindergarten and First Grade Students. Ms. Arden Lantz will be returning as our librarian and you will see your students utilizing the library more this year.

There are a few important dates that you should be aware of as the year begins: Also, please be sure to check the OCS website for supply lists and back to school information.

**August 28 Sneak a Peak Night**

Family Last Names A-L 4:00-4:45

Family Last Names M-Z 5:15-6:00

**September 12- Back to School Night for All Kindergarten Parents Only 5:30-6:30**

**September 13- Back to School Night for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Parents Only 5:30-6:30**

In conclusion, it is my goal to ensure that all students are provided a quality education in a positive and safe learning environment. I will look for ways to continually improve the programs at Odyssey Lower School. If you have comments, or questions, please feel free to contact me at 302-516-8000, extension 450. I look forward to working with you and your child as he/she prepares for their educational journey. Your commitment to quality education is valued and appreciated.

Sincerely,

Paul Walmsley