Dear Null Parents/Guardians:

First and foremost, I apologize if you are receiving this email and your child no longer attends Null. Our new student information system is experiencing technical issues and we currently do not have access to our current family's contact information. If you know someone who is new to Null and has not received this letter, please forward it to them. I truly apologize for the inconvenience. If you are a returning family, re-enrollment will need to be completed (once it is up and running) before your child starts on Tuesday, August 22nd.

I hope you have had a very relaxing, fun summer! My summer has been filled with baseball tournaments and spending as much time with my two boys (9th grader and Senior) who continue to grow up way too fast! I hope you were able to spend quality time with each other.

The building has also had a very eventful summer. You may have noticed the gigantic crane this week. It is installing our walls for our new gym! The inside has received a makeover as well.

I am truly looking forward to my 11th year as Null's principal. It has been a pleasure watching your child continue to make growth throughout their educational years. Their happiness, safety, and success are my utmost concerns. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to enhance your child's experience. Your support and dedication to your child's achievement is an essential part of this success!

For the 2023-24 school year, we will continue to focus on leadership and goal setting using the 8 Habits of Leader In Me and PBIS (Big 3). Our school-wide theme is *Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be a Responsible Leader!* We encourage our parents to gain a better understanding of this philosophy as it can definitely be applied at home and in every aspect of what you do.

We do have a few **changes** in staff for the upcoming school year:

- Mrs. Gagnon is moving to 2nd grade.
- Mrs. Pohlman is our new RtI Specialist and Michele Kelly will take her place as the new special education teacher.
- Mrs. Johnson is our new librarian. We welcome two new 1st grade teachers Mrs. Fisher and Mrs. Vancil.
- Mrs. Martin is our new Instructional Coach. Catie Huffman is taking her place as a 4th grade teacher.

<u>The PTO</u> met over the summer and has planned fun events for Null families for the upcoming school year. We hope you and your family can join us for our annual PTO <u>Family Pool</u>

<u>Party at Blanchette</u> on August 12th from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Admission is free for all past, present, and future Wildcats! (Once a Wildcat, always a Wildcat!)

We look forward to seeing you on **August 17th** for an **informal "Drop In" from 1-3p.m.** in which you and your child can stop by and see his/her room, learn about classroom expectations, pay for supplies and fill out paperwork before starting on Tuesday, August 22nd. **We hope to get your child's teacher letter sent in the next few weeks via email. We currently do not have access to our family's contact information.**

Important Links:

Back to School PTO Pool Party Flyer
School Supply Form
Null Activity/Event Calendar
Null website
Free/ Reduced Lunch Form

Important Dates:

- 8/12: Null Back to School Pool Party at Blanchette from 7:30-9:30 p.m.
- 8/15: District Family Festival at St. Charles West from 5-7 p.m.
- 8/17: Kindergarten Screening and Orientation at 12:30-2:30 p.m. PLEASE RSVP
- 8/17: Grades 1-4 "Drop In" event from 1-3 p.m.
- 8/22: First Day of School! Doors open at 7:45 a.m.
- 9/22: Picture Day and Open House