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Dear EPCS Parents,

Welcome to Kindergarten! My name is Ms. Janine Ellis and I will be your child's Kindergarten teacher this year. I am so excited to meet all of you and get to know your child this upcoming school year. We are going to learn a lot of new and exciting things as well as have lots of fun this year! The transition to Kindergarten may be challenging but rest assured that I will do everything I can to make this a smooth transition for both you and your child. I hope you all are enjoying your summer break and look forward to hearing all about it during our first week together. Throughout the school year we will get to know each other and become a family.

I have been an educator at E.P.C.S. for twenty three years and have taught Kindergarten, First, and Fourth grade. As a thirty eight year resident of Englewood, I love our community. This will be my third year working with Ms. Keegan. Our assistant teacher is Mrs. House. Together we will make this a great school year for you and your child(ren). My hope is that your child has made reading and math practice a daily routine during the summer. Your child was provided with a summer reading and math

packet to be completed and handed in during the first week of school. If you did not receive one, it is available on our website.

Some important guidelines to follow are:

Please make sure that all your child's school supplies are labeled with their name. Also, it is very important that you label your child's uniform, book bag, and lunch bag. Please provide your child with a lunch and a healthy snack starting on the first day of School. (our first three days are half days - bring snacks only). In kindergarten we eat snack in the afternoon so please make sure that your child eats a good breakfast everyday. We are a nut free school so please do not send anything with nuts.

I can't wait to see you all at Back-To-School Night, which will be held on Thursday, September 19th, 2024. If you have any questions before the first day of school please call the office at 201-569-9765. I look forward to meeting you on September 4th, 2024.

Best Wishes,

Ms. Ellis