

Cedar Lane School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to a new school year!! We are looking forward to an exciting year for our students. Staff has spent the last week in staff development activities designed for improving instruction and also getting ready for today. I am writing this just prior to dismissal and, I can tell you it has been a good beginning for a new school year.

Several new students have joined us this year. To our new parents I extend a special welcome! I hope that you will continue to dialogue with your child's teacher, and will soon feel more than comfortable with your child's new placement. I am sure you will see in your son/daughter a good reaction to their new setting. You can always feel comfortable in talking to me, or my assistant principal, Mary Beth Yelen, regarding concerns that you may have. Our mission is to provide the best possible education, focusing on functional life skills, to all of our students. Your input into this process is important and we will seek it.

There is information coming home today from your child's classroom teacher. There is also information regarding "eschoolnewsletter." I hope that all of our parents will sign up, or update your profile. I will be communicating important events via this system. I also understand that it will also be possible to "text message" school emergency information that will prove particularly helpful for emergency closings.

I will end by encouraging you to become an active part of our school. On Thursday, August 31, at 7:30 PM, we will be having our first PTA Executive Board meeting. Our president, Bob Seipel, encourages parents to attend even if they are not on the Executive Board. Following this meeting, I will be sharing a "Calendar of Events" for this school year.

Again, welcome to what will be a new and exciting school year for your child.

Sincerely,

Nicholas P. Girardi
Principal

Mission Statement

The mission of the Cedar Lane School is to educate students with special needs in a setting that is respectful of diversity, that fosters growth and development, while respecting the human dignity of all students, allowing each student to develop skills which will enable them to reach optimum levels of functioning and independence.