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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! I am so excited to be back and meet new and returning students. My name is Xavier Kee, and I am the School Counselor for the First and Second grades at Indian Land Elementary. This is my seventeenth year in education and third year as a School Counselor.

I look forward to getting to know your child and working with your family during the school year.

I wanted to introduce myself and then encourage you to visit our school counseling page to learn more about me and the counseling program. I received my Bachelor's in Elementary Education from the University of Grand Canyon. I received my Master's degree in Counseling and Development from Capella University. Before I became a school counselor, I worked here at Indian Land Elementary with Special Education, ISS Coordinator, Fit Kids Director, and Bus Driver. I am excited to see all the wonderful things happening this year!

I will be teaching lessons throughout the year. Lessons will focus mainly on Social and Emotional Skills and doing weekly check-ins. Some of the lessons that will be reviewed this year include Getting to know each other, the Role of the School Counselor, Personal Safety/Drug Awareness, Defining Feelings, Managing Emotions and Identifying Coping Skills, Friendship, Teasing vs. Bullying, Self-Esteem, Diversity and Compassion, and Careers.

I am also available to see your child on an individual basis as needed. In addition, we have added small groups as part of our school counseling program. The goal is to rotate all the students into a group once while they are in elementary school. This is another way for us to provide students with specific support in Social Emotional Learning and help nurture skills earlier.

There will be a semester newsletter posted on the Counseling page on the Indian Land Elementary School website, and I encourage you to take a look at it to see what we are up to each semester. This newsletter will provide information on lessons we will cover and additional information or resources for you.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me. I may be reached at 803-548-9439 or via email at Xavier.Kee@lcsd.k12.sc.us. When emailing me, please put in the subject line "In regards to the student (insert your child's name)." We have an exciting year planned through our School Counseling program, and I look forward to a wonderful year working with your child(ren).

Sincerely,

Xavier Kee, MS School Counseling

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