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Dear Lombardy Elementary Families,

I hope you and your family are enjoying a fun, relaxing, and safe summer! On behalf of the entire Lombardy Elementary staff, I would like to extend a warm welcome to both our returning families and those joining us for the first time. We are excited to begin another incredible school year together!

Our theme for the **2026–2027 school year** is **T.E.A.M. – Together Everyone Achieves More!** At Lombardy, we know that the strongest schools are built on teamwork. When students, families, teachers, and our community work together, amazing things happen. We look forward to partnering with you throughout the year to ensure every child feels supported, challenged, and successful.

New Parent Orientation – Tuesday, August 11

Families who are new to Lombardy Elementary are invited to attend our New Parent Orientation on **Tuesday, August 11, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.** This event will provide an opportunity to learn more about our school, meet members of our admin team, and ask questions before the start of the school year.

Sneak a Peek Night – Monday, August 24

We can't wait to kick off the school year with one of our favorite traditions—**Sneak a Peek Night!** Join us on **Monday, August 24, from 5:00–6:30 p.m.** behind the school. Students and families will have the opportunity to:

- Meet their teachers and school staff
- Enjoy snacks and refreshments
- Dance with friends and classmates
- Run through our inflatable obstacle courses
- Celebrate the start of another exciting school year!

We hope to see everyone there!

Kindergarten Orientation – Wednesday, August 26

We are excited to welcome our newest Lombardy Tigers! Kindergarten Orientation will be held on **Wednesday, August 26, 2026.** During orientation, parents will learn about our kindergarten curriculum, daily routines, morning and afternoon arrival and dismissal procedures, and other important information to help ensure a successful transition to school.

Orientation times are based on your child's last name:

- **Last names A–L:** 9:15 a.m.
- **Last names M–Z:** 10:15 a.m.

First Days of School

- **Wednesday, August 26, 2026:** First day of school for students in **Grades 1–5**
- **Thursday, August 27, 2026:** First day of school for **all students in Kindergarten through Grade 5**

It is the directive of the Board of Education that the Brandywine School District shall not discriminate in its employment practices or its educational programs and activities for students on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, age, veteran status or other legally protected characteristic. All policies, regulations and practices of the District shall be guided by this directive.



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Back-to-School Information

To help your family prepare for the new school year, please visit the Brandywine School District website and click on **Lombardy Elementary**. Our **Back to School Hub** contains important information, including school supply lists, calendars, transportation information, and other helpful resources.

Volunteer at Lombardy This Year!

We are incredibly grateful for the many parents, guardians, family members, and community members who volunteer their time to support our students and staff throughout the school year. Whether you're helping in the classroom, chaperoning a field trip, assisting at school events, or supporting one of our many special programs, your involvement helps strengthen the partnership between our school and the community and makes a meaningful difference for our students.

To help ensure a safe and positive learning environment, **all volunteers must complete the Brandywine School District volunteer approval process before volunteering in our schools or participating in school-sponsored activities**. If you volunteered last year, please check the expiration date on your current volunteer clearance and **renew your volunteer packet before it expires** to avoid any interruptions to your ability to volunteer. All required forms are available on the **Brandywine School District website**, or you may stop by the Lombardy Elementary School office to pick up a paper copy. We look forward to partnering with you throughout another outstanding school year!

As always, thank you for your continued partnership and support. We are honored to work with your children each day and are looking forward to another outstanding year at Lombardy Elementary. Together, we will continue to build a caring school community where every child can learn, grow, and thrive.

Have a wonderful rest of your summer, and we'll see you soon!

Together Everyone Achieves More!

Sincerely,

Michael McDermott
Principal
Lombardy Elementary School