I hope that you and your family are well and are enjoying the last days of summer. I am very excited to teach Team 6-1 Math and Science as a Special Education teacher. I enjoy learning about my students' interests and work habits. You know your child better than anyone. As a parent of three children and as a middle school teacher for many years, I value your input and invite you to write or email a letter about your child. Please include his/her strengths and weaknesses, past school experiences and any special abilities or concerns that you would like to share with me as I learn more about your child. Please include any information that you feel would help me to help your child to be as successful as possible this year. What approaches worked best in your child's previous learning environments? I appreciate your suggestions. Your input as well as your child's IEP will guide me to provide the best learning experiences for your child.

I graduated from Trenton State College (now known as The College of New Jersey) with my bachelor's degree. Then I earned my master degree in the Graduate School of Education at Rutgers University. I have three teaching certificates, including my Special Education certificate, but I know that my most valuable information will be your perception of your child. I love learning something new every day, and I want to impart my love of learning to your child.

Please see my OnCourse website for more information, including lists of suggested materials for math class and for science class on the left side of my webpage. Also, please click on these hyperlinks to join my REMIND MATH 6 group (if your child is in my math class with Mrs. Wright) and my REMIND SCIENCE 6 group (if your child is in my science class with Mrs. Lyristis) as soon as possible if you wish to receive my daily math and science homework reminders/announcements throughout the school year. Homework is usually assigned Monday through Thursday. The complete directions for joining both REMIND groups are also posted on the left side of my OnCourse website.

Please send me your email or letter about your child by the end of September, if possible, and feel free to email me any questions or concerns anytime. PLEASE remember, however, not to reply to this nor future "group" emails since the system will not usually send me replies to group emails. Please email me directly at my email address: <a href="majorman@howell.k12.nj.us">majorman@howell.k12.nj.us</a>.

I am looking forward to an amazing school year! Howell Middle School North is my second home, and I know that your child will soon feel the same way about this special school family. I wish your child a very happy, healthy and successful school year.

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