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Iron Co C-4 Community Members,

I hope everyone has enjoyed their summer break. Another school year is just days away. Our custodial and maintenance staff has been working very hard getting the building ready for our students to fill the halls once again. I am beginning my 7th year as jr. & sr. high principal for the district. This time of year is exciting. We all get fresh starts, new opportunities, and challenges that come with a new school year.

We have six new staff members this year. I believe they will be great additions to our staff. John (JW) Brandt, his wife Alison, and their daughter Reagan have moved to the area. Coach Brandt will be our high school science teacher and boys' basketball coach. His wife, Mrs. Brandt, will teach English 1 & 2. Mrs. Stephanie Dunn, a Lesterville native, will be taking over jr. high science. Coach Dunn will also be our varsity girls' volleyball coach. Our new elementary and jr. high PE teacher is Mr. Joe Jackson. Joe brings in experience from the Valley R-6 School District. Coach Jackson will be coaching jr. high boys' basketball, assistant boys' basketball, and assistant baseball. I am extremely excited to have all four of them joining our staff. We have also added two new paraprofessionals in our building this year. Mandy Davis will be transferring from the elementary. Mrs. Davis will be running our food service lines, our district mail, and assisting with clerical work in the high school office. Lindsey Talamante will be an aide in the jr. high. Our final staff change is with Jamie Warden. Ms. Warden is not new to our staff by any means, but this is her first year assuming the role of our district's Athletic Director. She will be running an athletic meeting for parents following open house.

Dates and events to keep in mind for the beginning of the 2018-19 school year:

- DCAI's Back To School Fair: Friday, August 3rd, 10-1:30pm in Elmer P. Beard Gymnasium
- First official day for fall sports practice: August 6th
- Open House Jr. & Sr. High: Monday, August 13th ,5:30-6:30pm
- Parent Athletic Meeting: Monday, August 13th, 6:30pm in Elmer P. Beard Gymnasium
- First Day of School! August 15th 8am

I hope students enjoy one last week of sleeping in, back to school shopping, and evenings out with friends as your 2018 summer break will be over before you know it. I look forward to visiting with you in the near future.

Sincerely,

Dr. Clay LaRue