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Dear Families,

I am happy to introduce myself as your child's teacher for the 2024-2025 school year.

This begins my 24th year of teaching and my 6th year at Notre Dame. I was born and raised in Dawson Creek. My husband and I live with our two girls, Jolese, 11, and Katie, 17. We enjoy outdoor activities such as riding quads and skiing. We are blessed to have our extended family living in and around Dawson Creek, so we spend most of our free time with them. We also enjoy our two dogs, two cats, and two horses.

Our superintendent asked us to think about our "why" for choosing to teach in the Catholic system. I made the decision to teach in Catholic schools because I enjoy the freedom of teaching children about faith. As I get older, faith provides me with a sense of hope and community. I can appreciate and share the word of God, helping guide the next generation of children in a healthy direction.

My focus is helping every child reach their potential. I am a lifelong learner, and I completed my Master of Science Degree in Early Childhood Education in 2014. I focused on sharing learning through electronic portfolios to provide families greater insight into their children's day and individual goals and learning. We will be using Spaces EDU again this year, so once portfolios are set up, students and I will share insights into learning to enable families to see what we are working on, how it is going, and what the next steps are for each child. Please feel free to reach out if you have questions.

I have a background in Restorative Practices and a keen interest in helping children learn to self-regulate through challenging situations and work through problems in a manner that maintains dignity. I also have a well-developed library of books addressing common issues children face, and I am always willing to lend them to families. (Worries, anger, etc.)

I encourage you to contact me with any questions or concerns that may arise. I would love to hear from you, especially if you have any insights about your child's learning style, passions, talents, and challenges. As your child's first and lifelong teacher, you know them best, and I welcome you to our learning team! Thank you for trusting me with your child's education!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sharlene Weingart