September 4, 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to the 2018-2019 School Year! I am excited to work with your student this year! I wanted to introduce myself in this letter, since I will not be able to meet you on Curriculum Night due to being on FMLA until approximately the end of September.

This will be my 14th year teaching math at Summit Hill Junior High, my 5th year as the Math Academic Improvement Instructor, and my 10th year as the 8th Grade Math Team Coach! Prior to joining the Summit Hill family, I have 10 years teaching experience at a private school in Joliet, and 5 years of accounting experience! I have earned my Bachelor and Master’s Degree from the University of Saint Francis in Joliet, and continue my professional development in order to provide students with the best educational experience possible! Also, I am fortunate to work with Mr. McDonald again this year, team teaching 3rd period math! While I am out, your student will be working with Ms. Macek! Her time, effort, and dedication to the students is greatly appreciated!

If you have any questions or concerns prior to my return, please contact Ms. Macek via email at [kmacek@summithill.org](mailto:kmacek@summithill.org), or call (815)469-4330 to leave a message.

Remember: “Mathematics is not about numbers, equations, computations, or algorithms: it is about understanding.” – **William Paul Thurston**

I look forward to meeting you upon my return and look forward to a successful school year with your child!

Sincerely,

Ms. Bottomley

7th Grade Math Teacher

7th & 8th Grade Math Academic Improvement Teacher