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Dear Parents & Guardians,

Greetings Chapman School community members! My name is Josh Hinds, and as the new Principal of Chapman School, it is my sincere pleasure to welcome you to the 2019-20 school year. I am very excited and grateful to be serving the Anchor Point community, families, and students this coming school year. To those families who may be returning students to Chapman School, or enrolling your child for the first time, we sincerely value the trust and confidence you have placed in our school and staff in meeting the academic and personal needs of your child. We are excited to be serving this wonderful community's student population and invite you to join us as we pursue "doing what's best for kids" this school year.

I understand that last school year was fraught with the uncertainty of our State's current fiscal and political climate. While many of those factors remain unclear as we approach the start of the school year, one thing is substantially clear; our school and staff's commitment to providing a safe, enjoyable and effective learning environment for your child's academic and personal growth remains as strong as ever.

Our teachers, aides, and support staff have already begun to prepare for the up-coming school year. While classrooms and school facilities are being cleaned, organized and decorated, and teacher-planning books begin to be penciled in with engaging and inspiring activities and lessons, I wanted to invite you in welcoming our returning and new staff members this year. While many of our staff you have come to know and love will still be around this year, please join me in welcoming our newest staff members:

- In our Pre-Kindergarten classroom, we are excited to welcome Ms. Heather Davis to our staff.
- In our 1st grade classroom, we are pleased to have Ms. Malia Halverson-Larson joining us this year.
- Ms. Michelle Fournier will be joining us at Chapman to teach in our 3rd/4th grade classroom.
- We are happy to have Mr. Brian Grieser this year as our 4th/5th grade classroom teacher.
- While we still have a number of positions that have not been filled yet, including our school Nurse and Special Education Paraprofessional positions, interviews are taking place for these positions, and as we fill those positions, we will ensure you are made aware.

I would like to invite you and your child to visit the school and meet your child's new teacher this year. We will be holding our annual "Meet & Greet Your Teacher" opportunity on Monday, August 19th from 2:00-3:00 pm. While our staff will be very busy with beginning of year planning and in-services, we do hope you will be able to bring your student and swing by the school to meet your child's teacher and visit your child's classroom.

Once again, I am excited to welcome you and your family to the 2019-20 school year. We look forward to seeing your child for the first day of school on August 20th. A reminder for returning families and information for new families, we do ask that students arrive for school no earlier than 7:30 am for school breakfast, if so desired. Our school day continues to begin at 8:00 am and students will be released from school at 2:30 pm.

If you have any questions concerning your child's educational experiences this year, or would like to consider volunteering at Chapman in some capacity this year, please feel free to contact the school, or stop by for a chat. We look forward to working with you and your child in providing the best educational experience and outcomes possible this school year.

Sincerely,

Josh Hinds
Principal
Chapman School