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GMG Families and Community Members,

It is an honor and privilege to be the principal of GMG Elementary and the Wolverine community. I hope that this letter finds you enjoying the relaxing days of summer and that you and your children are looking forward to beginning a wonderful school year together in August. I can assure you that I share in this school community's commitment to caring for your children each and every day while providing them an excellent learning environment.

In addition to my role as an educator, I am a wife and a mother. My husband, Pete, and I love to spend time with our family and heading out on weekend motorcycle rides. Our daughter, Abby, has graduated from Hawkeye Community College with a Marketing and Management degree. She enjoys living in Cedar Falls and is the business manager for Cedar Valley Appliance. Ryan, our son, is a Senior in high school. He is active in everything sports: football, basketball, track and baseball.

We have exciting and new opportunities at GMG Elementary! This year we continue to empower teachers and their professional development. This year we will have Professional Learning Communities (PLC) Leads, Mentors for our new staff, 11 teachers participating in the EC LETRS or LETRS Training (Vol. I or Vol. II), two certified teachers in Preschool, and we will be adopting a new reading Curriculum in December.

The staff and I look forward to meeting with you at our Open House on Thursday, August 22nd from 5:30-6:30 pm. We would like you to join us at the Garwin City Park from 5:00-8:00 pm on Thursday, Aug. 22nd where there will be food trucks and fun activities.

To our students, I hope you are all excited for this coming school year and you are having a wonderful summer playing with friends and family, active in the arts and sports, enjoying the outdoors, and getting lost in books that provide our minds with many adventures. It is going to be a great year learning together. In closing, please know my door is always open. I welcome your conversation and positive input throughout this year. Let us always keep our students as the primary focus of our work. I look forward to celebrating the success of our students during the 2024-2025 school year.

Sincerely, Mrs. Stacey Busch GMG Elementary Principal <u>sbusch@gmgschools.org</u> 641-474-2251

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