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Dear Hawthorne Hawk Families,

Welcome to the opening of the 2017 18 school year. I am looking forward to another wonderful year at Hawthorne Elementary School. I hope everyone had a relaxing and fun filled summer with family and friends. We had such great weather to get outside and enjoy nature.

This will be my sixth year as an administrator at Hawthorne Elementary School. I truly love the Hawthorne school, staff, parents and community. We have grown in so many ways over the years. This summer Hawthorne has received beautifying throughout the building. All of the hallways have been freshly painted, new carpet and tile were laid, and we have a beautiful new look in our office. There is a huge, colorful HAWK on our cafeteria floor. Many students have been visiting throughout the summer to see the work on the floors and to see the Hawthorne HAWK come to life on our new cafeteria floor. We are still deep cleaning and preparing our building for the opening of the new school year.

We have so many things to celebrate: our State Balanced Assessment (SBA) scores increased in most areas. We still have growth to make, but our individual student achievement scores demonstrate great growth for our students. Our summer school, which took place at Whittier, was a huge success with great attendance and incredibly dedicated teachers.

We welcome all parents as volunteers into our building to work with students and support teachers. Every parent is invited to join the Hawthorne Parent Teacher Association and participate in this organization that supports the enrichment of every child's school day. You can become involved by volunteering in classrooms and the office, supporting fundraising activities, holding a PTA board position, becoming a WatchDOG dad, or even helping from home!

Important upcoming Hawthorne Elementary dates and events:

- **August 31 – Meet and Greet at the Hawthorne Playground:** Stop by to meet your teacher and have a Popsicle. 5-6:00PM
- **September 6 – The first day of school for our 1st through 5th graders!** 8:00 for breakfast and school begins at 8:35
- September 6, 7 & 8 are WaKIDS parent/teacher/student conferences: every Kindergarten student will meet for 30 minutes with their teacher and family members.
- **September 11 – The first day of school for Kindergarten students!**
- **September 13 & 14 – slow start days for ECEAP-only 10 students per session**-Julie Boyer will be contacting parents
- **September 18** – ECEAP all start

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Communication is important for the success of your child's schooling. We send home Wednesday folders with important information for the family. The folders need to be returned to school each Thursday. Also, I provide phone calls during the school year through an automated service. If you see the school phone number or district number appear, please answer and listen to the message. It is critical for you to provide us with your most updated phone numbers in order for you to receive these important messages.

Thank you for being a part of our Hawthorne Elementary Community! We are excited for this coming school year. We, and all of the Hawthorne teachers and staff, are geared up for a positive, exciting, and rigorous year of learning. Please do not hesitate to call or stop by to say "Hi" and ask questions.

Sincerely,

Mrs. O'Connor-Weaver
Principal

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