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Dear Families,

Welcome (or welcome back) to Windsor!

The entire Windsor Staff joins me in welcoming our Wildcats to the new school year! The beginning of a new year is a favorite for me as we meet new friends and become reacquainted with old friends. Teachers and other staff members are busily preparing for another fantastic year.

Visitors to our school often comment on the warm and friendly atmosphere they feel upon entering our school, which is something we strive for. Our goal is to create a safe, nurturing, and respectful environment where children are encouraged to take risks in their learning, share their ideas and thinking with others, and develop a love for education. Working together, we will help your child(ren) learn and grow throughout the year. Please know how very grateful we are for your support and for your commitment to working closely with us. We value a partnership between home and school. **Thank you for working with us to help every child succeed.**

The original Windsor School was a one-room school built in 1885 on property donated by the Windsor Family and located on Assembly Road. Students attended school there until 1959. Construction on the present Windsor Elementary began in the spring of 1959 and opened on January 5, 1960 so students could attend classes on the south wing. Prior to that opening, students attended school at Marshall Elementary. The north wing was completed in February of that year, and the building was officially dedicated on November 6, 1960. Originally, Windsor Elementary served grades K-8. Today, Windsor is a modern PreK-5 school and continues the tradition of excellence established in those early years. When our current renovation is complete in Spring 2019, we will have eight new classrooms, an auxiliary gym/multi-purpose space, and a new kitchen. With Westwood Middle School next door, we again are able to offer families a PreK-8 experience on two neighboring campuses.

As we begin a new year, I invite you to become a part of our very active PTO. Our PTO meets regularly in Windsor's Library. You'll receive a very warm welcome when you attend, and I truly hope you'll consider being a part of the organization. If you have any questions about our PTO, I invite you to call our PTO President, Kim Rose. You may also email our PTO at ptowindsor@gmail.com.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 559-4201 or at vsongaylo@cheneyisd.org. **Your involvement and willingness to partner with us in a positive way is essential and welcomed!**

I'm looking forward to another year of rigorous classroom experiences, close friendships, and academic success for each Wildcat! Thank you for being a part of the "Windsor Family!"

Vince Songaylo