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Dear SPAE Griffins,

It is an honor to be serving as the principal of SPAE and I appreciate the warm welcome from the staff, students, and families that I have had the opportunity to meet. I embrace this opportunity to work with the entire Eastmark Community.

I am excited about the 2016-2017 school year. Sequoia Pathfinder Academy at Eastmark has a dedicated and passionate staff, supportive parents and creative, energetic students. We are going to do great things together. Although I hope you have had a fantastic summer and are enjoying the last few days, I trust that you are also getting excited about the school year.

It is so hard for me to believe that this will be my twenty first year in education. I hold a Bachelor's in both Psychology and Elementary Education from Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg, Kansas and a Master's in Educational Leadership from Northern Arizona University. This past school year, I served as the principal at Sequoia Lehi. Before that I spent three years assisting in the opening of an academic preschool and serving as their Director. Prior to the Director position, I was an elementary principal with Mesa Public Schools for six years. I have also had the opportunity to teach in Las Vegas, Scottsdale, and Mesa with teaching experience in kindergarten, first, third and fifth grade.

I am a small town girl at heart that grew up in a historic town in southeast Kansas, Fort Scott. I have been married to Rich, an Arizona native, for almost sixteen years. We are proud parents of one son, Brogan, who is starting fifth grade this year in Chandler. I enjoy spending time with family and friends, being outside, cooking, and being involved in Brogan's sports and activities!

I am excited for the students to arrive on campus and truly look forward to meeting and working with all of you. I believe collaboration between the school and home to be essential for student success. It is only through our combined efforts that the best school experience can be provided! I have an open door policy and trust that you will contact me with any questions and/or concerns. Thank you for sharing your child (ren) with Sequoia Pathfinder Academy at Eastmark (SPAЕ) and entrusting their learning to us!

Sincerely,

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