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Dear McCall School Families:

With the summer coming to a close, it is with great excitement that I welcome you to the 2019-2020 school year. I would like to extend a special welcome to all of our incoming Kindergarten families as well as to all new families joining the McCall community. We look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday, September 3 for the start of the 2019-2020 school year.

Over the summer, our entire school building was painted. We are excited to start the new school year with freshly painted classrooms. Last school year was a great year for growth and learning as we improved our PSSA scores in English Language Arts by 8%, in Math by 6% and in Science by 9%. McCall School has been identified as a 'Model' school for the last few years based on the School District of Philadelphia's School Progress Report. As a school community, we are committed to continuing the work necessary for all students to achieve academically and to serve as productive and engaged citizens beyond their experiences at McCall.

As we prepare for another successful year, it is critical that your child starts the year off on the right foot. Please be sure that your child attends school every day and is on time so that he/she can benefit from high-quality instruction daily.

Be sure to visit www.philasd.org for important back-to-school information such as how to use the 'Parent and Family Portal' to access information regarding your child's education and a list of vaccines your child will need to attend school and upcoming. I also want to invite you to attend our **Back-to-School Night on Tuesday, September 17 from 5:00-7:00p.m.** This will be a great time to meet teachers and other families, and learn more about the new school year.

Thank you for enrolling your child at McCall Elementary. We appreciate your confidence in our school and the School District of Philadelphia. We pledge to do our best for your child! I hope you enjoy the rest of your summer vacation in preparation for a challenging and successful school year.

Sincerely,

Stephanie McKenna Principal