

LAVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

AUGUST 2023



FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Wednesday, August 9th is the first day of school! Like all Wednesdays, the first day of school will be a delayed start. Doors open at 8:55 AM.

NURSE'S CORNER

Welcome back to school! Prescription medicine that needs to be given during the school day, may be dropped off on open house night in the office. Students are not allowed to bring prescription medicine on the school bus. Kindergarten and 6th grade parents, get those immunizations scheduled and turned in. With sports just around the corner for 5th and 6th graders, get sports physicals done early. Please communicate, to the front office, student absences daily. The sick policy is students can return to school after 24 hours fever-free without the use of fever reducing medicine, and any other symptom is improving. Have a safe and happy school year!

STUDENT HANDBOOK

The 2023-2024 Student Handbook is now available on our website, or by clicking [here](#). Please take a few minutes to read the handbook to familiarize yourself with our policies and procedures for the upcoming school year.

OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, August 8th

5 - 7 PM

See page 2 for more details!

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The 2023-2024 calendar can be found [here](#).

CARRIDER INFORMATION:

Please remember if your child is a car rider, you must have a tag to pick them up. Tags can be purchased in the office and cost \$4, cash only. Here is a link to the car rider [policy](#).





PLEASE JOIN US FOR LAVILLE
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S

OPEN HOUSE & MEET THE TEACHER

Tuesday August 8, 2023 5-7PM

**Tour classrooms, meet teachers and
drop off school supplies and enjoy
some ice cream!**

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WELCOME TO LAVILLE!



ZOE SPENCE, 1ST GRADE TEACHER

Hello! My name is Zoe Spence and I'm so excited to be teaching first grade this year! I am a 2020 graduate of New Prairie High School, and a 2023 graduate of Western Governors University. I live in La Porte with my parents, younger sister, my Guinea pig Melvin, and my dog Raleigh. I am thrilled to be working at LaVille and proud to be a Lancer!

HEATHER MCDUGAL, 2ND GRADE TEACHER

My name is Heather McDougal. I was born and raised in Mishawaka. I graduated from Indiana University majoring in Elementary Education. After I graduated, I was an aide for 4 years in the Mishawaka school corporation. I spent the past 12 years working the front office at an orthodontic practice. My husband, Ian and I have 2 boys, Cole (9) who is in third grade at LaVille and Reed (5). We love spending time outdoors. I have always had a passion for teaching and am very excited to start this journey as the new 2nd grade teacher at LaVille!



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SARAH HARDIN, 4TH GRADE TEACHER



Hi LaVille Friends,

My name is Sarah Hardin and I will be the new fourth grade teacher! My husband and I have three kids Madilyn, Oscar, and Colette.

We also have three dogs, my favorite one is the Pug. In addition to that we have a little hobby farm with all kinds of animals, so we all stay busy.

I graduated from Indiana University South Bend with a degree in Sociology, then returned to school for Elementary Education. Before pausing my career to raise a family I taught 6th grade and 3rd grade.

I am so very excited for the chance to be a Lancer and meet all the wonderful families in the community and fourth grade is going to be fantastic!

KRISTIN PARELEE, 4TH GRADE TEACHER

Hello Lancer Families! My name is Kristin Parmelee! This is my third school year at LaVille Elementary but this year I am excited to be joining the 4th grade team and teaching science and math.

Prior to working in education, I always had a love for science and taking care of other people, which brought me to the medical field. I had spent multiple years working in healthcare, ranging from specialties such as school health and oncology. Now I will continue my original loves by teaching science and taking care of my students!

Outside of school, I spend most of my free time with my family swimming or at the lake going tubing. I am married to a fireman and have three kiddos, two of which-Aiden and Sophia, are also Lancers.

We love to travel any chance we get, even if it's just on short weekend getaways.

I am looking forward to a great year in this new role! I can't wait to get to know my students better and watch them learn and grow!



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AMBER ONAX, KINDERGARTEN INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE



Hi, my name is Amber Onax. I will be the new Kindergarten Aide here at LaVille Elementary. I am so excited to be working alongside a wonderful team of teachers on the kindergarten team. I have a background in Early Childhood Education and worked as a preschool teacher for 3 years. Then my husband and I got married and decided to start a family right away. We have three children who are 9, 7, and 5. I was blessed to be able to stay home with our children for the past 10 years. Now that our youngest is going into Kindergarten, it was time for me to start the next chapter in our lives. I am a proud LaVille momma. All three of our kids attend LaVille. LaVille is home and I am so honored and blessed to be a part of the LaVille Team. I look forward to meeting new faces and seeing first hand how amazing I already know our teachers are.

HEATHER MCCLEAD, 6TH GRADE INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE

Hi! I'm Mrs. McClead. I'm excited to be joining the LaVille community as the 6th grade instructional aide. I earned my bachelor's degree from IUSB, and I've worked as a substitute teacher at LaVille Elementary. I'm a wife, mother to 3 Lancers, lover of the outdoors, and novice woodworker. It's going to be a fantastic school year!

