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Dear Valley Stream 24 Families,

It is hard to believe that we are already approaching the end of our second week of the 2026-2027 school year! As I have visited our schools and classrooms, it has been wonderful to see our students engaged in learning, building relationships, and settling into their classroom communities. Thank you to our families and staff for helping us begin the year with such enthusiasm and a strong sense of connection.

As we continue this positive start, we invite you to join us for our annual **Meet Your Teacher Night** on **Tuesday, September 15, 2026, at 7:30 p.m.**

Meet Your Teacher Night is one of the special opportunities we have each year to strengthen the important partnership between our schools and families. During the evening, you will have an opportunity to meet your child's teachers, learn about classroom routines and expectations, explore grade-level curriculum and standards, and hear about the learning experiences and priorities that will shape the year ahead.

The schedule for the evening is as follows:

- **7:30 p.m. – 8:05 p.m.:** Presentation I in Classrooms
- **8:05 p.m. – 8:25 p.m.:** Presentation II with Special Area, Math, Reading, ENL, Speech, and/or Resource Room Teachers
- **8:25 p.m. – 8:55 p.m.:** Presentation III in Classrooms

Throughout the evening, our dedicated educators will share information and resources designed to support a successful school year for your child. Please keep in mind that Meet Your Teacher Night is intended to provide a general overview of the classroom and instructional program rather than an opportunity to discuss individual student progress. Our teachers and administrators are always available throughout the year should you have individual questions or concerns.

Our first parent-teacher conferences of the school year will take place in November and will provide an opportunity for more individualized conversations regarding your child's progress. In the meantime, if you have any questions, concerns, or need assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's building principal. Our administrative team is here to support you and your family throughout the school year.

We value our families as essential partners in the educational experience of our students, and we look forward to welcoming you to our schools on Tuesday evening. Together, we will continue to **Make the Connection and Innovate Our Future** for every child in Valley Stream 24.

Warmly,

Dr. Unal Karakas
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