

Waterfront Elementary School #95



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Dear Parents or Guardians:

Hello! My name is **Christopher Stephens** and I have the pleasure to teach your child this year. I would like to welcome you to a new school year in 6th grade. I hope you have enjoyed your summer! I know that I've had a great time with my family and friends, spending time being outdoors in the fabulous sunshine. It is time to think about school and get ready for a terrific year together!

I am very lucky to work with such a great sixth grade team. I will be providing math instruction to your child every day, **Ms. Gandy** will be your child's Science and Social Studies teacher, and **Mrs. Anello** will be the reading specialist. We are also very lucky to have **Mrs. Cruz**, and **Mr. Cullen** to support us!

I cannot stress how important it is for you and I to work together to show a united front when it comes to your child's education. I have an open door policy, and I want to encourage you to stop in whenever you want to. Your presence shows your child you care!

I want to reassure you that as a parent of a 14 yr. old son, and a 16 yr. old daughter, knowing that their teachers care is very important to me! I want you to know that **I am very dedicated to giving your child the best education possible**. If I can ever help you in any way, please don't hesitate to ask me.

I look forward to meeting you. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at cstephens@buffaloschools.org, or you can call me at school at 816-3900. You can also reach me on my cell phone at 830-6994. Please feel free to call or text me at any reasonable time. **I am very confident that you and I can work together as a team to make this year a very successful year for your child. I have VERY HIGH EXPECTATIONS for all my students and their academic/social success is very important to me!!!**

Grading: Your child's math grade is based on **85% test/quiz scores**, and **15% Homework grade**. All tests and quizzes will be based on the NYS CCLS for 6th grade.

- **Your child will have math homework at least 3-4 times a week and even sometimes 5 times a week! It is so important it is completed to the best of their ability as it reinforces the standards learned in class that day.**

LET'S HAVE A FANTASTIC YEAR!!!!

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CHRISTOPHER STEPHENS

