

July 25, 2018

Greetings 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students and Parents!

My name is Natalie Zeller, and this will be my first year as the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at Grant Christian School. I am very excited to be a part of the Grant Christian Family, and I am looking forward to learning more about God's character and His great love for us. One of the verses that guides my life is Colossians 2:6-7: "So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in Him, rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness." I hope this verse shapes our classroom throughout the year as we learn what it means to root ourselves in Jesus and grow in our relationships with Him.

Since I am new to the Grant Christian Family, I thought I would let you know a little bit more about myself! I grew up in a western suburb of Chicago called Geneva, IL with my mom, dad, brother, and sister. I graduated from Hope College (Go Dutchmen!) with a degree in Elementary Education with a focus in English Language Arts. At Hope, I led small groups and Bible studies, studied abroad in Liverpool, UK, worked as a Writing Assistant, and student taught in a 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom at Great Lakes Elementary School. For two summers, I was a counselor at Timber-lee, a Christian camp in Wisconsin. Currently, I live in Grand Rapids with other Hope graduates. I also love reading, painting, spending time with my family, hiking, and rooting for the Chicago Cubs!

I am looking forward to meeting all of you! I encourage you to pray for the school, teachers, administration, staff, students, and families as we all get ready for the new year. I am praying that each one of you has a restful and joyful remainder of the summer. See you soon!

Blessings,

Miss Natalie Zeller

**\*The school supplies list for the first day of class is on the back of this sheet.**

## 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Supply List

- (2) glue sticks
- (1) USB Flash Drive
- (4) blue or black pens
- (2) grading pens (any color besides blue or black)
- (1) pack of colored pencils
- (1) pencil case
- #2 pencils
- (1) 12-inch ruler
- (5) spiral notebooks (college rule)
- (6) folders
- (1) pkg index cards
- (1) pack of fine point dry erase markers (dark colors)
- (1) pack of college rule loose leaf paper
- (1) composition notebook
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade – (2) Kleenex boxes
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade – (1) disinfectant wipes and (1) Kleenex box

