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Dear EPCS Seventh- and Eighth-Grade Students and Families,

Welcome to a new school year! I hope you are feeling rested, excited, and ready to explore the fascinating world of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

I am delighted to join the EPCS community as your new Middle School Science teacher. I have 14 years of experience in education, including five years teaching middle school students. Before beginning my career in education, I held several STEM-related positions. I worked as a research phlebotomist in a sickle cell and beta-thalassemia laboratory, participated in pharmacology research at Hackensack University Medical Center, and worked as a cardiac monitor technician in a cardiac catheterization laboratory. I also have experience in information technology as a systems analyst.

My diverse professional background has shown me how science, mathematics, technology, and critical thinking are used to solve real-world problems. I look forward to bringing those experiences into the classroom and helping students recognize the many ways STEM connects to their lives and future opportunities.

This year will be filled with discovery, exploration, and inspiration. Students will study foundational scientific principles, apply the scientific method, and use mathematics to collect and analyze data from real-life situations. We will also explore the diversity of life, including the characteristics and classification of plants and animals.

I hope this letter provides you with a brief preview of the exciting learning experiences ahead. I look forward to partnering with students and families to support a successful year of academic growth, curiosity, and achievement.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at Elizabeth.Bennett@englewoodcharter.org.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Bennett

