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Greetings students and families!

Welcome to the new school year. My name is Mr. Dopson and this is my first year teaching at (insert school name here). I am looking forward to getting to know you and collaborating with you all in the classroom and beyond.

Although it is my first year teaching at (insert name here), I worked at the University of La Verne for almost 6 years. I started as a part time campus tour guide and I ended my career there as the Student Employment Coordinator. I enjoy getting to know students and helping them pursue their passions and aspirations.

I enjoy teaching English Language Arts because I'm fascinated by the art of communication. Reading, writing, speaking, listening, and language can be applied to any academic field or career path.

I want to emphasize that I care about the success and wellbeing of each student. If you need help with what we are learning in English class or issues outside of the classroom, please reach out to me or see me in class. It is not perfection that I am after but I want to encourage attitudes of curiosity, growth, and reflection in my classroom.

If you need to reach me, please use the following options:

- Email:
- Phone:
- Google Voice:

Please allow up to 1 school day for a response. This means if you leave a message on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday, I will usually reply on Monday.

It is my goal to create a positive, welcoming, and reasonable environment for my students. I seek to create a space where students can expand their knowledge and grow as individuals. We will work hard, but we will also have lots of laughter and joy along the way.

Cheers to a new school year. See you in class!

Respectfully,

Terry Dopson
English Language Arts Teacher