Dear Student and Parent/Guardian,

Believe it or not, school is right around the corner again. My name is Miss Harriman and I would like to welcome you to a new school year and to my algebra one class! I want to take some time to introduce myself and give you a brief overview of what this year has in store for us.

This year we will be developing an understanding of several algebra one concepts. You will develop skills that you can carry with you and transfer outside of the classroom. We will be learning about expressions, systems of equations, functions, real numbers, inequalities, exponents, polynomials, and radical and rational expressions. I encourage all of you to come into this year open-minded and ready to learn. Math is a skill that grows and strengthens through applications, practice, and discussion. I look forward to building a strong community within our classroom. You are going to make mistakes, and that is okay. That is how we learn! You will be provided a textbook along with outside sources I have selected to help us work towards an understanding of mathematical concepts. We will have a set of classroom calculators (TI-30XIIS) available, but you may find it very beneficial to purchase your own in order to practice at home. However, this is not required.

You should strive to be an active participant in class. The goal of this class is for you to become a stronger math student **and** develop stronger writing, reading, and thinking skills!! I have three simple rules that I expect that you follow:

- 1. I will be respectful to those around me
- 2. I will come to class prepared and ready to learn
- 3. I will work hard and encourage others

Parents, I encourage you to reach out to me with any questions or concerns you may have throughout the year. You can contact me by phone at 440-969-5523 or by email at CHarr721@thiel.edu. I have planning periods from 9-9:45 and 1-1:45. I would be happy to talk to you within those times or after school. I would also be happy to meet with you at any point to discuss your child's progress or anything else you may want to discuss. I look forward to working in collaboration with you and your child.

I hope that you had an awesome summer and I look forward to seeing you soon! You are going to learn a lot this year, but you will also be having a lot of fun along the way. I am very excited to get this year started. See you soon!

Sincerely,

Miss Harriman