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Dear Arcadia Middle School Families,

I am excited to welcome all of our Titans back to school next week! As we prepare for another incredible year, I wanted to send a few important reminders to help ensure a smooth start to the school year.

First, I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the families who attended our Back to School Bash last night. It was amazing to see our Titan students and their families walking through their schedules and engaging with our community partners on site to prepare for the upcoming school year. Your presence and enthusiasm set a wonderful tone for what promises to be a fantastic year ahead!

Open House

Mark your calendars! Our Open House will take place on Thursday, September 26, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Once again, this event will be held in collaboration with the high school. We hope to see many of you there as we continue to build strong partnerships between home and school.

Parent Contact Survey

If you were unable to attend our Back to School Bash last night, or if you attended but didn't have a chance to fill out our [Preferred Parent Contact Survey](#), please take a few minutes to complete it. The form had a technical issue last night, but it has since been corrected. If you were on site and experienced difficulties, we encourage you to try again. This survey helps us ensure we contact you through your preferred method if we need to discuss your Titan. Establishing clear lines of communication is essential to creating a strong partnership, and we are committed to collaborating with you to support your Titan's success this year.

Blackboard Connect

Please also ensure that you have not blocked our Blackboard Connect system from contacting you. We use this platform daily to send emails to all families, including our [daily announcements](#) (feel free to bookmark this in your favorites as this is the site we use for announcements). We understand that sometimes our Teen Titans may not always relay important information, so we want to help by keeping you informed about what's happening at Arcadia Middle. This can also help open communication between you and your Titan about school events.

Yondr Pouches

For our returning 7th and 8th-grade Titans, please make sure you have your Yondr pouch ready for the first day of school. We will be checking all pouches and reminding everyone about the district's electronic device policy. Since implementing this policy, we've seen tremendous growth in student focus, and we are excited to keep this momentum going.

For our new Titans in 7th or 8th grade, as well as all of our 6th graders, you will receive your Yondr pouches in either Homebase or your first period on the first day of school.

New this year, there will be a fee to replace your pouch if it is damaged or lost. If students damage or lose their pouch, they will be required to turn in their electronic devices (this includes smart watches) at arrival and retrieve them at the end of the day until they find their pouch or purchase a new pouch.

Weapons Detection System

Finally, we will continue using our weapons detection system during arrival each day. Titans, please remember to remove your Chromebooks, cell phones, and water bottles (metal bottles) before passing through the system to help speed up the process.

We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead, full of growth, learning, and collaboration. We're thrilled to reconnect with our returning Titans and build new relationships with those new to Arcadia. Together, we will ensure a successful and enriching year for all of our students.

Thank you for your continued partnership, and we can't wait to see you all soon!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Lumb". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Brian" and last name "Lumb" clearly distinguishable.

Brian Lumb
Arcadia Middle School Principal