On the inside of this tri-fold you will find an introduction to each of the sixth grade teachers; Mrs. Libell, Mrs. Snyder & Miss Dietrich. We have included an introduction to each teacher this year, since many of the students will be working with more than one of the sixth grade teachers. We are looking forward to a successful school year, and getting to know a new group of kiddos!

#### An Introduction to You!

We hope that you have enjoyed your summer and your break from school, but did not take a break from learning! A friendly reminder to bring your summer book reports on the first day, to start the year with \$250 in your checking accounts. On the first day of school We would like you to bring in something that represents what you have been up to this summer! This could be a pair of goggles, a souvenir, a picture, etc. Be sure to think about what you will say to the class when you talk about your object. You may even want to practice at home. Parents "In one million words or less..." 😜 tell me what I need to know about your child and your family Include your dreams, fears, hopes, and doubts. What are their favorite subjects, what do they struggle with in and outside of school, what activities do they enjoy participating in, and anything else that you are willing to share about the background/experiences that they bring to the classroom. Please send this in with them on the first day of school in an envelope addressed to their homeroom teacher. Thank you in advance for taking the time to do this!

\*Parents—if you have any extra checkbook covers or ledgers, the sixth grade team would GREATLY appreciate the donations!

Here are some items that are suggested to have for the start of sixth grade:

- A combination lock (practice opening this lock before the first day of school and be sure to bring the combination with you!)
- A 2.5 or 3-inch binder
- Subject dividers for 5 subjects
- Highlighter
- Pencil Pouch with holes (not a pencil box)
- Mini Post-It notes
- \*Earbuds
- Anything else you can talk your parents into.

\*We added Earbuds to our list this summer!



# Welcome to 6th Grade!

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# Mrs. Libell

This will be my 14th year at Brecknock. I graduated from Edinboro University with Bachelor's degrees

in Elementary & Early Childhood Education, with a concentration in Language Arts and a minor in Developmental Psychology. In 2013 I finished my Master's degree in Curriculum & Instruction: Teaching 2.0.

As some of you may already know, I am a graduate of Brecknock! I attended grade school here (with a few of the same teachers, but I won't mention any names:) My husband and I live locally in Brecknock Township. My husband is employed by the Sheriff's Dept. of Lancaster County. We have two daughters, Ryleigh who is entering into 6th grade and Brianna who is entering 3rd grade. We also have a son, Carson, who is 3 years old. I have enjoyed my time as a mom, and feel very blessed to have the extra time with them in the summer. We also have a cat named Pilot, six chickens, a hermit crab and five fish...this summer I declared NO more pets. A week later we were surprised to find out that our fish had five babies! We attend Petra Christian Fellowship in New Holland.

We had a very busy and enjoyable summer including trips to Erie, Pittsburgh and Tennessee. Ryleigh is on the New Holland Swim team, and enjoyed horse camp. Brianna enjoyed a week of day camp in July and is trying her first overnight mini camp in mid-August! Carson has enjoyed lots of time in the sandbox with his tractors and cars!

Mrs.

Snyder



This will be my 24th year teaching at Brecknock Elementary. I graduated from Indiana University of Pennsylvania with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education. I then received my Master's Degree in Reading and Language Arts with a Reading Specialist Certificate from Millersville University. I have taught second, fourth, fifth and sixth grades here at Brecknock and have truly enjoyed being a part of the Bowmansville community for all these years!

My husband Rod and I have been married for 24 years and have three children. Halle age 17, Griffin age 13, and Lilah age 8. The furry four footed members of our family include Cooper our Goldendoodle and Socks, Tigger and Milo our three rescue kitties! My father lives right next door to our house in Ephrata and my brother and his family live just outside of Allentown Pa.

My family and I were fortunate to travel to Ocean City New Jersey this summer! We love the beach! We also traveled to my dad's lake house. We spent a lot of time biking, and picnicking with friends as well as hitting our favorite ice cream spots!

I'm looking forward to teaching the sixth graders this year! We are going to have a great year!



### Miss Dietrich

This will be my 10<sup>th</sup> year teaching in the Eastern Lancaster County School District. I graduated from Mil-

lersville University with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education with a minor in Athletic Coaching. I then received my Master's Degree in Early Childhood Literacy from Wilkes University. Previously, I taught third grade at Caernarvon Elementary and second and fourth grades at Blue Ball Elementary.

Originally a dairy farm girl from Lehigh County, I officially moved to Lancaster in 2004 where I still reside today. Thirteen years ago, I adopted my "fur babies" Beau and Sasha, both cats. They love acting as my alarm clock by meowing each morning at 6am sharp!

This summer my significant other, Mike, and I enjoyed two of our favorite things: attending major and minor league baseball games and golfing as much as possible! We also traveled to Cape May, New Jersey and Asheville, North Carolina to vacation. In my down time, I read a few novels and frequented Lancaster's Central Market. One fun fact about me is that I worked at Yellowstone National Park for the summer of 2001.

I am very excited to join the Brecknock family and add sixth grade to my teaching experiences!