Principal's Opening Day Report to the Raymond School Board

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Overview & Acknowledgements	We had a great start at Lamprey River Elementary School! Our meet and greet the Friday before school started, was well attended and the weather held out for us. Thank you to our PTO for providing Kona Ice for the students. The Students and staff are excited to be back at school. Our Kindergarteners came in for their screening visits on the first and second day of school. The students and their families visited their assigned Kindergarten classrooms on Thursday and are all set for their first day of school on Tuesday, September 6th. Setting the Stage for Success: The teaching of schoolwide expectations is well underway for our hallways, recess, and the cafeteria. In the cafeteria we have begun a new schoolwide positive behavior incentive program called The LRES Golden Spatulal Students are working daily on being safe, respectful, and responsible to earn "golden spatula points" while at lunch. At the end of the week the classes with the most points per grade will earn The LRES Golden Spatula and get to keep the trophy in their classrooms for the week! Students are so excited about this and have already racked up 181 total points across the grade levels for the first week. Special Education Updates: All Special Educators have been participating in NHDOE NHSEIS Trainings and several have shared that they have found it very informative. Our two new SPED Teachers share that the community has been very welcoming to them and they have enjoyed collaborating with their new teams. One of our two new hires is a Raymond native and is thrilled to be working with the children of our community. The LRES Glower and vegetable garden! Playground Updates: We are excited about having a brand new Gaga Pit and soccer nets added to our large playground as new equipment this school year.		
Transportation	All seven buses have been arriving on time in the morning and afternoon. The buses are currently not at full capacity. This may change once our Kindergarten students start school. Car drop off and pick up have been successful.		
Enrollment	Kindergarten First Grade Second Grade Third Grade Total	84 students97 students92 students101 students374 students	
Staffing	We are excited to have the following new staff join us this year at LRES: Ms. Jaimie Dupuis - Dean of Student Supports Ms. Ashley Lewis- Grade 1 Teacher Ms. Kayla Stickney- Grade 2 Teacher Ms. Amber McQuaid- Grade 2 Teacher Ms. Chelsea Thibeault - Grade 3 Teacher		

	Ms. Lisa Colburn - Math Specialist Ms. Laurie Collins- Special Education Teacher Ms. Brianna Turner - Special Education Teacher Ms. Jocelyn Biedrzycki - Social Worker Ms. Erin McNulty & Laura Mogavero - Constellations Support Ms. Sara Willis & Jen Thomas- Speech and PT Support from Boothby Services		
Challenges	Staffing: We are still actively posting and recruiting for paraeducator positions and two long-term sub positions		
Upcoming Events	9/6-9/29 i-Ready and Acadience Benchmark assessment window 9/12 Professional development day for staff/ no school for students 9/15 PTO Sponsored Night Under the Stars 9/30 Professional development day for staff/ no school for students 10/5-10/6 Picture Day (two grades per day in the AM) 10/6 Open House & Book Fair		