



westlake academy

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Dear Westlake Academy Families,

Welcome to the 2024 – 2025 school year! We are thrilled to welcome our students and staff back to school. We hope that you were able to relax and make special memories with your friends and families. Now it is time to look forward to a wonderful new school year as we welcome new students to Westlake Academy

Our incredible staff of educators has been diligently getting their classrooms ready and preparing lessons for this school year. We have one new staff member on our team this school year. Her name is Gazal Diab. Gazal was raised in New York and has been in Ohio for the past five years. She holds a master's degree in education from Post University. She is a proud parent of three amazing children, aged 9, 7, and 4, who are enrolled in Avon Lake City Schools. She enjoys baking, taking leisurely walks, and cherishing moments with my family.

Westlake Academy is such a special place to learn and grow. We are proud of our beautiful school and have grand expectations for each student. Our students are kind, compassionate, and eager to learn. Together with our dedicated staff, we strive to make connections with students to help them feel valued, accepted, and safe. We will continue to guide our mission to provide a rigorous and joyful inclusive school environment. Our overarching goal is to encourage active student engagement to foster a lifetime love for learning.

We are excited to return to our normal school operations this year. Instruction will be focused on specialized skills and content needed to learn grade level materials while providing the appropriate tools needed to grasp concepts.

Partnering with families is crucial to promote a healthy transition to school both socially and emotionally. We recognize that students may be feeling anxious with the start of a new school year, and we will continue to place a strong emphasis on social emotional learning while focusing on building classroom community. We encourage families to stay connected using Class Dojo-Westlake Academy. Teachers will be sending you invites to sign up.

With Warm Regards,

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