Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you. My name is Robin Goyea and I will be your child's teacher for English Language Arts (ELA) this school year. This is my third year teaching at Bear River Middle School. I am extremely excited about teaching and look forward to working with your student during this school year.

We have had a great start to the school year and we covered numerous important topics in the past few days. We have discussed classroom expectations as well as set individual goals for this upcoming year. Our ELA class will be novel based and we will be completing the majoring of our learning through these novels. Your students will be bringing home a syllabus which should be read together with your child, signed and returned to class by **Monday**, **August 22**. We have also adopted an eighth grade motto for this year and will try our best to adhere to it throughout the year: Integrity is doing the right thing just because it's the right thing to do, even when no one is watching (and as 8th graders, we have many students always watching us).

It is my hope that your student comes home and shares lessons and materials that I have taught during each day. I appreciate the opportunity to teach your student and am equally grateful to learn all that I can from each of them. Each young person has brought unique gifts and talents to the classroom and it is my goal to foster his or her learning through embracing these special gifts.

Should you ever have any questions or comments for me, please feel free to write a note in your child's planner, email me at rgoyea@wheatland.k12.ca.us or call the school at 633-3135 ext.2206. If I am unavailable to take your call, you may leave a message and I will return your call during the first break I have. Thank you for sharing your child with me.

Sincerely,

Ms. Goyea