



WELCOME TO THE  
J.W. KILLAM SCHOOL  
CURRICULUM NIGHT

September 4, 2019

# Gentle reminders



- Review the Killam Parent Handbook on the school website.
- Please do your best to have your child arrive to school on time. Students can arrive at 8:10 am. The first bell rings at 8:15 (students enter the school). Half-day kindergarten is the only exception.
- If your child will be absent, please remember to call the absentee line as early as you are able to do so and prior to 8:00 a.m.
- Please refrain from calling the office with non-emergency dismissal plans.
- Please send a note to your child's teacher with any dismissal changes (i.e. not riding the bus, attending after-school programs, change in location of pick-up/pick-up person, etc.). We cannot take calls in the office after
- Bus contracts should be read and returned.
- Update your emergency information on PlusPortal.



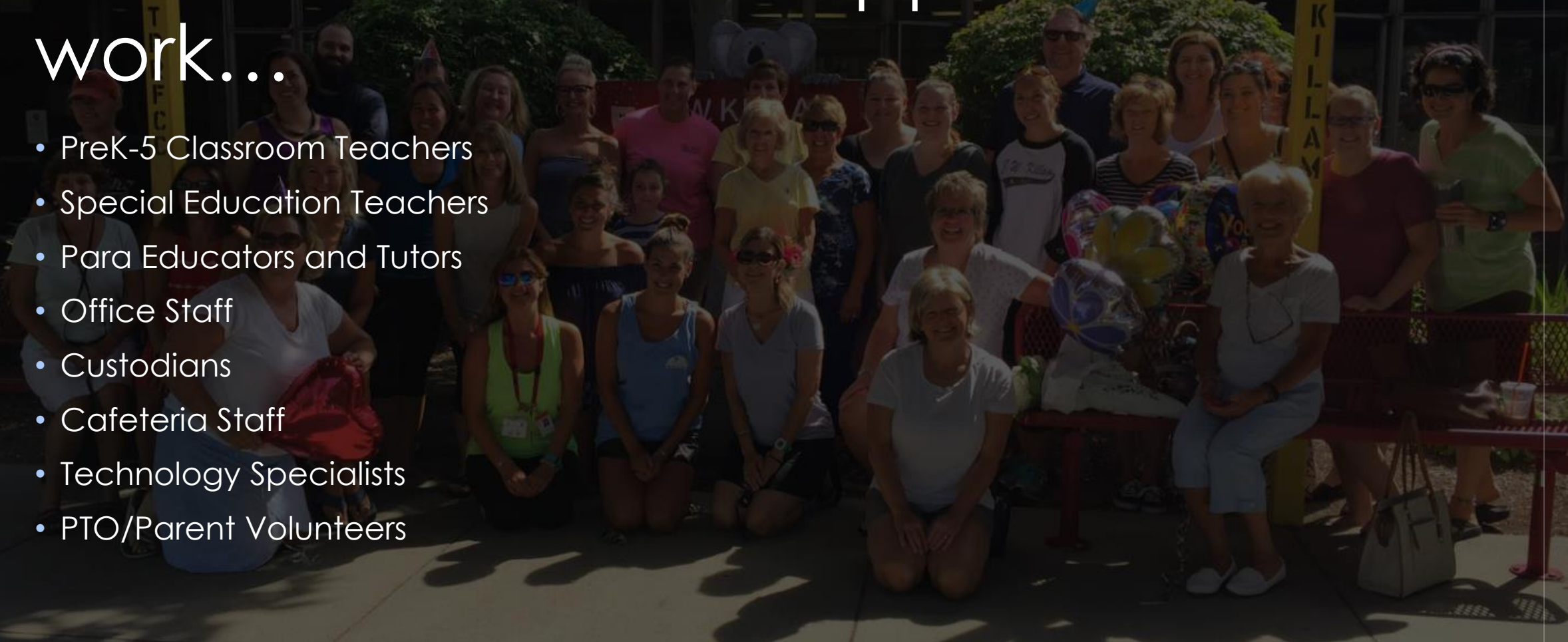
# Our Mission

- The J.W. Killam Elementary School is a T.R.R.F.C.C. place where everyone belongs, where everyone achieves at their personal best and where everyone's accomplishments are celebrated!
- At the J.W. Killam Elementary School, we believe in the importance of educating for character. Our school culture is reflected in our pledge: We strive to be **trustworthy, respectful, responsible, fair and caring citizens.**



# Our incredible staff support this work...

- PreK-5 Classroom Teachers
- Special Education Teachers
- Para Educators and Tutors
- Office Staff
- Custodians
- Cafeteria Staff
- Technology Specialists
- PTO/Parent Volunteers



## SHANA GOLDWYN, TEAM CHAIR

- Welcome!
- News:
  - Special Education is “green” – look for more meeting invitations and consents to come to your email from a secure server.
  - By September 13<sup>th</sup>, expect contact information identifying your liaison.

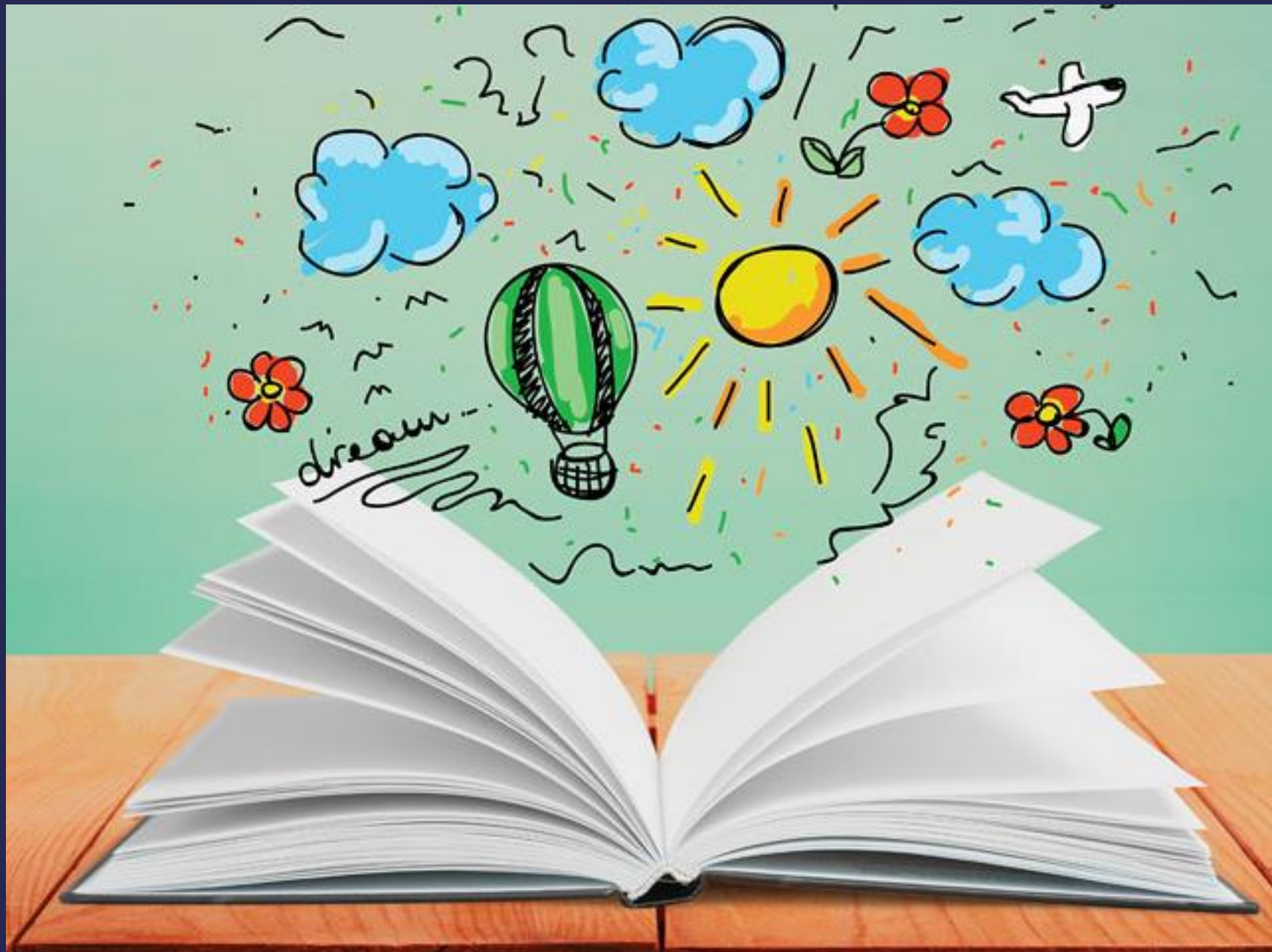


# SETTING UP FOR A YEAR OF SUCCESS

# Our three themes from last year

1. Wide Open
2. Intentionality
3. Every Day Counts





CHOOSE  
JOY! We  
Lead with  
Who We Are





## Why Do We Teach?

- Why did you become a teacher?
- What DIFFERENCE do you want to make?
- What is your PURPOSE?
- What is your WHY?
- What's in your HEART?







WE WANT TO BE OUR  
STUDENTS' CHAMPIONS—  
THEIR REASON FOR  
REMEMBERING THAT SCHOOL  
BRINGS JOY

# Home and School Working Together is Essential...

- **PTO Presentation**
- Please welcome Co-Presidents Diane Macari and Allison Sillers
- On your way out, stop by the tables in the front hallway for flyers of various events.

Thank you!



# J.W. Killam PTO

*Visit us at the Information Table  
in the front hallway!*

## **Important Upcoming Dates:**

- **PTO Welcome Coffee:** THIS Friday, 9/6, 8:30-10am
  - **Fall Family Picnic,** Friday 9/13, 5:00-7:00pm
- **PTO Presentation: Mindfulness in Schools with Theresa Wiggins,** Thursday 9/19, 6:30-8:00pm (*childcare provided!*)

## **Questions? Want to get involved?**

Email us!

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Allison Sillers: [a.sillers@gmail.com](mailto:a.sillers@gmail.com)

# Understanding Disabilities, Inc.



Learning we are all the same inside

## The UD Mission

To help children see beyond people's disabilities and focus on the ways ***We Are All the Same Inside.***

## What We Do

Independent charity providing disability education for Reading students and community.



# Get Involved!



## Upcoming Events:

- Jail 'n' Bail: Reading Fall Street Fair, Sunday 9/8, 12:00 – 5:00pm
- “Get to Know UD” Coffee: Tuesday 10/1, Fusion Cafe, 9:30 – 10:30am

## *Interested in Volunteering?*

Contact Allison Sillers

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