

# VERVE

SUMMER LETTER 2023-2024

## VERVE

[ vurv ] *noun*

1. enthusiasm or vigor; spirit
2. vivaciousness; liveliness; animation

Related Words:

vigor, stamina, spunk, gumption, zest, zeal, pep, gusto, vitality, liveliness, sparkle, intensity, passion, moxie, toughness, pizzazz, get-up-and-go, vim, dash

## WE BELIEVE...

All students have unique strengths, needs and interests and our diversity is our strength. Verve is a true family of learners including students, teachers and families working together as partners. We look forward to spending time getting to know each student and family deeply throughout the coming school year.

## MEET THE TEACHERS

### MASON DEVRIES



Mason DeVries (he/him) is the looking forward to being Verve's new science teacher! Mason is originally from Montana, and enjoys hiking, running, and generally being outdoors. Mason's other hobbies include baking, reading, and bookbinding.

### KATELYN FLOYD



Katelyn Floyd (she/her) is the English language arts teacher on Verve. Besides reading and writing Katelyn enjoys spending time outdoors with her family and friends, swimming, music, sewing, traveling, photography, and scrapbooking.

### BLAIR GUTHRIE



Blair Guthrie (she/her) is the social studies teacher on Verve. Prior to teaching at Tuttle she lived and taught in Alabama. Outside of school, enjoys spending time outdoors with her family, running, and baking.

### LAURA EICHORN



Laura Eichorn (she/her) is very excited to be your new math teacher. She enjoys spending time with her family and friends, sailing, skiing, kite boarding and reading when she's not in the classroom.

### JULIANA SAEHRIG



Juliana Saehrig (she/her) is the Special Education Consulting Teacher. It will be her fourth year teaching on team Verve. When she is not in the classroom she enjoys skiing, gardening and spending time with her family.



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## **SUPPLIES**

Verve students will find the following very helpful throughout the year:

- Many, many pencils
- 1 binder (2-3 inches)
- 1 set of binder dividers
- 1 notebook 9x12" (lined or blank) for ELA
- pencil pouch
- ear buds or headphones
- 13" chromebook case with a handle or a strap

Course Specific Materials:

French:

- 1 box of pencils
- Composition Notebook

Spanish:

- Composition Notebook
- Plastic 2 Pouch Folder
- 1 box of pencils

Health:

- Plastic 2 Pouch Folder

Please let us know if you need assistance in attaining school supplies, we are happy to supply your student with anything they might need.

## **SUMMER READING**

Reading is a vital skill. Students who read at least three books during the summer months will find themselves more ready for the upcoming school year. Check out the list of recommended reading provided by the sixth grade ELA teachers at 5th grade orientation in May or choose your own reading adventure! Keep track of the titles you read this summer so you can add them to your reading list in the fall.

The South Burlington Public Library is a great resource for books and other materials that is free to all South Burlington residents. Be sure to check out their summer reading challenges!

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