



LOWER TOWNSHIP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

EVERY STUDENT. EVERY DAY
LEARNING TEACHING EXPLORING SUCCEEDING

August 20, 2026

Dear Kindergarten, First, and Second Grade Families,

Welcome to the 2026–2027 school year! It is with great excitement that I welcome both our returning families and those who are joining the Carl T. Mitnick School family for the very first time. I hope you have enjoyed a wonderful summer, and I look forward to another year of learning, growth, and creating lasting memories together.

As I begin my second year as Principal of Carl T. Mitnick School, I continue to feel incredibly grateful to be part of such a caring and supportive school community. As a lifelong resident of Lower Township and a proud product of our school district, this community has always held a special place in my heart. Having two children, I understand firsthand the importance of providing students with a strong educational foundation and a school where they feel safe, valued, and inspired to learn.

At Mitnick, our goal is to provide every child with a positive, nurturing, and engaging learning environment where kindness, respect, and curiosity are encouraged each day. We are committed to helping every student grow academically, socially, and emotionally while celebrating the unique strengths each child brings to our school.

Communication is one of my highest priorities. Our staff will continue to keep families informed through phone calls, Thursday folders, text messages, Facebook, classroom communication apps, and the district website. I believe that maintaining an open line of communication is essential to building strong relationships with our families. If you ever have a question, concern, or simply want to talk about your child's progress, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher or to me. I always welcome the opportunity to connect with our families and look forward to working with each of you throughout the school year.

Transportation Information

If you plan **not** to use district-provided transportation, please notify Mitnick School as soon as possible. You will need to identify who will pick up your child each day. Please email sholden@lowertwpschools.com or call **609-884-9470**.

Parent Drop-Off

Parent drop-off begins at **8:45 a.m.** and ends promptly at **9:00 a.m.** in the rear of the building using the single-lane drop-off line.

Parent Pick-Up

Parent pick-up begins at **2:50 p.m.** in the rear of the building. Authorized adults should proceed through the pick-up lane where a staff member will check identification. Please have your photo ID readily available. Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation as we begin another successful school year.

Thank you for entrusting us with your children each day. I am excited for another year filled with learning, laughter, and opportunities for our students to grow. Together, we will make the 2026–2027 school year an exceptional one.

I look forward to seeing everyone very soon!

Warmly,

Allyson O'Shea
Principal
Carl T. Mitnick School