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## Dear Parents and Families,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year at P.S. 39. I'm Leslie Warren, the speech-language pathologist. Your child will know me as the "speech teacher." This is my 10<sup>th</sup> year at P.S. 39, and I'm very happy to be back. A little about me: I was born in Brooklyn and have lived here my whole life. I went to college at SUNY New Paltz (and still visit the Hudson Valley all the time!). I went to graduate school at CUNY Hunter. I have a particular love for bees and aspire to one day become a beekeeper addition to a speech-language pathologist.

As you know, this will not be a typical school year. I promise that I will work closely with you and with teachers and staff in order to provide therapy services in a safe and effective manner. At this time, I am still organizing and finalizing a schedule, and will be in touch with you for planning purposes (especially for remote therapy planning). I am planning activities both for remote therapy and for socially distanced in-person therapy. I am arranging my room so that therapy can occur in a safe manner, as per guidelines. I appreciate your patience during this process.

At the beginning of every school year, I spend time reviewing your child's IEP (especially their goals). I speak with their teachers from the previous school year in order to gain vital information about their academic performance, which influences my therapy planning. For kindergarten students, I review reports that we have received from your child's previous school. However, if there is any other important information you think I should have, please feel free to get in touch and send it my way.

The best way to contact me is **LWarren@ps39.org**. Thank you! I look forward to working with you.

Best, Leslie Warren

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FYI - for students who don't know me yet, this is what I look like without a mask! →

