

Dear families,

¡Bienvenidos a segundo grado! Welcome back to another year at LILA. My name is Jessie Sheldon or Profe Jessie as the students call me, and I will be your child's second grade teacher.

I am originally from St. Louis Park, MN. My passion for immersion education started long ago when I myself attended a Spanish immersion elementary school. I have been fortunate enough to see the wonderful benefits of an immersion program as a student and how learning a second language at a young age can open so many doors for the future to come.

This is my fourth year in teaching second grade at LILA graduated and I am so excited for another great year! I graduated from Concordia College in Moorhead, MN with a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education and Spanish. During my time at Concordia I studied in Argentina, where I lived with an Argentine family, took classes, and volunteered at a preschool. At Concordia I also student taught in a Spanish immersion second grade class and gained better insight into the immersion model.

Outside of school I enjoy keeping myself active by, camping, running, playing soccer, skiing, and enjoying nice weather outside. I love to be active and moving just like second graders! This summer I traveled to Norway with my family and enjoyed hiking in the fjords, eating delicious seafood, and visiting relatives.

I am looking forward to seeing you all for our Bienvenidos Conferences, which are scheduled for 10 minutes each in the last week of August⁻ I would like to use the time to learn about your child, answer any questions or concerns that you may have and share with you my goals and aspirations for this year. <u>Please feel free to bring along any supplies you have for the year at this time.</u>

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at 651-464-0771 or jsheldon@lakesinternational.org.

Have a great rest of the summer and I can't wait to meet all of you soon!

Con cariño Profe Jessie