

Dear LILA Families,

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year at Lakes International Language Academy. My name is Cassandra Borlaug and I am the new, full-time occupational therapist at LILA!

I grew up in the small town of Washburn in North Dakota. I graduated with my Master of Science in Occupational Therapy and a minor in Special Education at University of Mary in Bismarck in 2012. I then began my career in Fargo practicing as an outpatient therapist at a sensory integration clinic serving children birth – 21 years of age and their families. I remained at that position for 3 ½ years while enjoying Fargo life! When I decided to move to the twin cities area, I switched gears and made my way into schools. For the last 2 years I have worked full-time at a charter school in St. Paul and learned so much about the Hmong and Karen culture through my wonderful colleagues and of course, the children! I am so excited to begin my next adventure at LILA.

I live in Stacy, MN and love the surrounding lakes area! My boyfriend's name is Jake and together, we enjoy taking our sweet pup, Anna, out for walks and hikes when we can. In my spare time, you can also find me playing volleyball, traveling, spending time outside (especially on a good patio), cooking, and enjoying any time I can get with our families and friends.

I am looking forward to meeting you all in the weeks to come and providing OT services at such a great school. I have a strong passion for supporting the children of our future with their education and can't wait for the 2018-2019 school year to begin! See you soon!

Sincerely,

Cassandra Borlaug