



LAKES INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE ACADEMY

An IB World School

Dear LILA families,

I would like to introduce myself as one of the new music teachers at LILA's main campus. My name is Laura Zaccaro, and I will be teaching music for grades K-3 for the 2018-2019 school year.

Although I am new to the staff, I already feel very much a part of LILA because of my family's connections to the school. My husband, Luke, teaches design and choir at the upper school, and my son, Gabe, just completed the 3-year-old Kinderprep class this spring. We are all excited to see what new adventures this next year at LILA will bring.

Luke and I met at our alma mater, St. Olaf College, and we celebrated our 14 year anniversary this summer. We initially lived and taught in the Midwest for several years, but in 2011 we decided to take a chance on a new and life-changing experience by accepting positions at an international school in Kuwait. After two years there, we then moved to Saudi Arabia, where we taught in the Saudi Aramco schools for three years. When Gabe was born, we felt our family ties pulling us back home to the States, but we still wanted to be a part of a school that celebrates the diversity of different cultures and encourages students to expand their world view. In this way, LILA is a perfect fit for us. We believe strongly in LILA's mission and feel that it plays a critical role in this community. We are so, so grateful to be a part of the LILA family.

I am very much looking forward to meeting all of you this year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Zaccaro

