

Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome back! As your principal, I am excited to welcome you to another school year. Our goal as educators is to support all students academically and socially. We will make every effort so all students graduate as successful and literate members of society – and be able to succeed in the increasingly complex world in which they will live and work. We encourage all students to be responsible and self-reliant and to set high goals for themselves as they reach for their dreams.

We are a successful school because of the great work of our students, staff, parents, volunteers, and community members. We have built a solid foundation and now continue to add layers of quality to our school. We are going to focus on growing our good school climate and atmosphere to assure that all students, every day, have a positive learning experience.

To all students at Concrete Middle School, I am most delighted to have you as part of our 7-12 family and for you to be back into your own building. We strive for excellence in our service to students, and we are looking forward to serving you. It's normal for middle school students to experience social and academic challenges. You will form new friendships, adjust to new schedules, discover new interests and strengths, and receive the support you need to excel. Our teachers and staff are ready to assist you in any way possible during your transition.

To all the students at Concrete Middle/High School, this is the time in your life when you are preparing for the future. Ask yourselves, "What kind of person do I want to become?" We encourage you to take advantage of this educational opportunity while you are young. Most of all, we want you to enjoy your time in school. How do you do that? . . .

Get more involved in your school. Be an active part of more activities. Be a better citizen. Work smarter in class. Try out new sports. Make new friends. Be a better person.

Together, we **can** make a positive difference in each other's lives and in our experience here at Concrete Middle/High School.

Make it a great year!

Michael Holbrook, Principal