



# Central Elementary School

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Dear Central School Families,

I am writing to introduce myself as the new principal of Central School. I am honored to continue my career in this community and look forward to working with you to ensure that all of our students have the opportunity to succeed. My career started in Chester, New Jersey, where I taught 1st and 2nd grade. In 2018, I obtained my Masters in Educational Administration from Georgian Court University. Two years ago, I joined the Great Meadows Regional School District as the Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Intervention. During this time, I was able to collaborate with staff to update curriculum, streamline our practices for student support and make connections with students, families and staff members. Personally, I live locally with my husband Ken and our two children, PJ and Lily. My son is entering 1st grade and my daughter is in Pre-K. We love the beach, family hikes and movie nights. Watching them grow and form into their own personalities is such a joy!

As I begin my 20th year in education, I have a deep understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing our schools today. I am dedicated to providing a rigorous and engaging academic program that meets the needs of all learners. I believe that all students can learn and I am committed to providing them with the resources and support they need to succeed. I will work with our teachers and staff to develop and implement innovative instructional strategies that will help all students reach their full potential.

I am also committed to creating a safe and supportive school climate where all students feel respected and valued. This summer, many of our staff members are participating in a book study to learn more about the implementation of restorative practices in our school. Restorative practices are a way of responding to conflict that focuses on repairing harm and building relationships. I believe that restorative practices can help us create a more peaceful and productive school environment where all students feel safe and respected.

I am excited to continue to get to know our students, families, and staff members. Please feel free to reach out with any questions, comments, concerns or to say hello. I look forward to working with you to build a strong and vibrant school community.

Sincerely,

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