

Bryker Woods Elementary School

"The Best School in Our Town"



August 6, 2018

Dear Bryker Woods Families,

It is with great pride and excitement that I introduce myself as the new principal of Bryker Woods Elementary. I am honored to have the opportunity to lead a school with such rich traditions. I come to Bryker Woods with many different educational experiences. I taught special education at the elementary and middle school levels as well as teaching first and fourth grades. For the last four years, I have been the assistant principal at Lee Elementary. I look forward to this next journey at *The Best School in Our Town!*

Through my fifteen years of education, I have dedicated myself to ensuring that all students feel welcomed, loved and encouraged to strive for the impossible. As the leader of Bryker Woods, I will continue to bring this same sense of community and growth mindset to our students. I also promise to value the strong STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) education and Social and Emotional Learning that has been a vibrant part of this community. As a staff, we will begin our new year with professional development that will focus on Problem Based Learning, Cultural Proficiency, Mindfulness and Morning Meetings. I am excited to bring a differentiated professional development to this amazing staff and create our own learning goals for the year.

An excellent education is not possible without the great collaboration of students, parents, community and staff. I look forward to listening to the communities' needs and working together towards a common vision for our school. To help with communication, I will be hosting monthly Principal's Coffees, collaborating with the PTA, sending out schoolwide newsletters and maintaining an open-door policy. I will also be posting celebrations and information regularly to LivingTree and our school's new Twitter account- @BWPanters. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions, concerns or celebrations. My door is always open!

I look forward to working with each of you this year and learning from this wonderful community!

Your Very Proud Principal,

Kris Muehling