



NORTH EAST SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear North East Families,

Welcome back! It is hard to believe that our children will be back in school in just a few short days. The administrative, maintenance, support staff, and student workers have been working very hard over the summer to prepare our buildings for the 2019-2020 school year and I would like to take a moment to say thank you and to recognize all of their hard work.

This year we will be working on our 1:1 technology initiative, school safety/mental health, and Phase III of our district-wide curriculum mapping. We have also made several changes to our website to help keep you informed on what is happening in our schools.

I am very excited to announce several administrative changes. We would like to congratulate: Dr. William Renne as the new High School Principal, Mrs. Breanne Hodges as the new Special Education Supervisor, and Mr. Nathan Otis as the new Assistant to the Principal at the High School.

There have been many events taking place on our school grounds the past few months. The middle school renovation has been completed; we have repaired our sidewalks to help prevent some of the water pooling on our lower fields; have cleared out the drainage ditches; and prepared our buildings for the arrival of our children.

The Board, administration, teachers, and staff work very hard to ensure the safety and success of all students. We are your partners in education and support our families and the community in carrying out our mission, *“to challenge, empower, and engage all students to develop and achieve personal and career aspirations, to pursue lifelong learning, and to be responsible and accountable citizens in a dynamic world.”*

Please join us on **Monday, August 26th** from 4:00-5:30 p.m. for Meet the Teacher night at the High School and Intermediate School and from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the Middle and Davis Primary schools.

On behalf of the North East Board of Directors, the administration, teachers, staff, and myself, we invite you to show your school spirit and Picker Pride by attending student activities and events that are planned throughout the school year.

We look forward to seeing all of your children on Tuesday, August 27, 2019, and look forward to an amazing 2019-2020 school year!

Sincerely,

Dr. Michele S. Hartzell
Superintendent of Schools