



Dear My Central Elementary Families,

I am excited to begin this year and to welcome you to Central Elementary School. It is truly an honor to become a part of the Central family and community.

My philosophy of educating our boys and girls will always be threefold:

- to promote positive learning using innovative practices
- to spark student's enthusiasm for learning by building positive relationships
- to provide a strong foundation for lifelong learning

**My vision is for all of us to build on our students past to face the challenges of the future in an intentional environment supporting 100% of our student's every day.**

Therefore, I believe wholeheartedly that every student deserves a quality education and that only happens when the school and the families work together for the best interests of our children. We are implementing many collaborative activities to increase family engagement within our school to truly have "parents as partners"! Remember, 30 minutes of reading and math skills practice nightly will help towards our goal of 80% of our champions meeting or exceeding their grade level expectations!

Normal is such a simple word, and it is our goal at Central Elementary to not only create our new normal, but to use this time as a learning experience that will forever positively enrich the learning environment. We will teach intentionally every day to prepare our boys and girls for the future.

We are looking forward to our collaboration in providing a safe and nurturing environment here at Central Elementary where Champions are made.

With Excellence,

Jerry Collins, Ph.D.