

Good Evening Camp Creek Families,

We had a great start to the school year and I want to thank you for trusting us to provide an education to your child. This summer we searched and found some of the most talented, passionate, student-centered teachers who have a track record of building strong relationships and classroom cultures while holding students accountable to high expectations. We will be having a Curriculum Night soon to allow families the opportunity to meet teachers and learn about the phenomenal learning activities that your child will experience this school year.

Last week was filled with great moments of welcoming returning students and meeting new students. We established strong procedures, routines, and expectations that lay the foundation for a positive school culture. This upcoming week we will dive into Georgia Standards of Excellence. On Friday, you received an email from each of your child's teachers informing you of this week's learning objectives, assignments (graded assignments and practice assignment), and learning resources. Please use the weekly emails to assist your student in being proactive in their learning by writing all assignments in their agenda book and creating a system to ensure that assignments are completed and submitted on time.

This year we continue working toward our vision of becoming the best middle school option under this year's mantra #ReturnToExcellence. Last year we set our goals around growth in student achievement on Georgia Milestones and I happy to report that we met 7 out of 8 of our goals. The percentage of students scoring in the Proficient and Distinguished categories increased in English Language Arts: 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade; Math: 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade; Science: 8<sup>th</sup> grade; and Social Studies: 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Camp Creek also outperformed the district's growth rate for students scoring Proficient and Distinguished in ELA: 7<sup>th</sup> grade; Math: 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade; Science; and Social Studies.

The goals for the 2018 – 2019 school year around student achievement on the Georgia Milestone Assessments. The achievement goals are:

- 70% or more of all students will score developing learner (Level II) or higher on the Georgia Milestones in all content areas
- 25% or more of all students well score proficient learner (Level III) or higher on the Georgia Milestones in all content areas
- 10% or more of all students will score distinguished learner (Level IV) or higher on the Georgia Milestone

As a reminder, students must be in uniform Monday – Friday. The uniform is a black top of your choice (T-Shirt, polo, hoodie, sweatshirt, etc.) with the Camp Creek crest (purchase iron on patches for \$1 in the main office) and any pants and shoes

that do not violate Fulton County Schools' dress code. Students should be in homeroom by 8:55 and there will be no check outs after 3:45pm. Car riders will be dismissed at 4:05 and bus riders will be dismissed at 4:20.

Finally, as the school year begins, you can expect to receive a weekly email from me on Sundays that will contain information from the school, the PTA and upcoming events. It is our hope that by receiving this weekly information you will be well informed of all of the happenings at Camp Creek Middle School. Should you have any questions or concerns at any point this school year, please do not hesitate to call, email or come in to see me. I am looking forward to another challenging, productive and fun school year!