



REDLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Redland Staff, Students, and Community,

Earlier this evening, I was appointed as the Director of Student, Family and School Services by the Board of Education. In this role, I will coordinate the equitable engagement of MCPS families and other stakeholders who support teaching and learning.

For the past five years, I have had the honor and privilege of serving as principal of Redland Middle School. In this role, I have had the opportunity to serve as lead learner, a tireless advocate for our students, parents and community, and a passionate educator who has collaborated with many stakeholders to ensure that all of our students experience excellence in teaching and learning. During my interview for the principalship, I shared my vision- Every child would have an adult at school and outside of school who would serve as his/her advocate. During my tenure, I have worked with thousands of amazing children. Also, I have partnered with dedicated educators and supportive parents, many of whom have served as advocates for our Bulldog students. I am extremely proud of the collaborative work that we have accomplished in support of the Redland students and community. Serving as principal of Redland Middle School has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my professional career. Not only has our Bulldog Community positively impacted and guided my growth as an educator, but also as a person and as a parent.

In my new position, I will coordinate a variety of programs to build the capacity of schools and families to engage one another, including providing support to schools throughout our system. Although I am excited by the possibilities that await me, I will truly miss the Redland Community. My passion for working with students, families and the community will continue to guide my work. Also, I will continue to be reminded of one of the key lessons that I learned and valued as principal at Redland, "It takes a village to raise a child."

I am pleased to share that a current member of our "village," Mr. Matt Niper, will serve as acting principal. For those who don't know, Mr. Niper is an experienced administrator. Most recently, he served as assistant principal and principal intern at Redland. During the past two years, I have had the opportunity to collaborate with him, as well as serve as his mentor, coach, and principal developer. I have every confidence that Mr. Niper will support the staff in providing the level of excellence that our families need and deserve. In addition, I have had the pleasure of getting to work with Mrs. Angie Fish, assistant principal and another experienced administrator, since she joined us on July 1st. I am confident that the administrative team will lead us forward with excellence. I am committed to finishing the next several weeks strongly and will collaborate with Mr. Niper, Mrs. Fish, and our leadership team to ensure a smooth transition, particularly as we continue preparing for the 2019-2020 school year. Please see attached to this message a letter from Dr. Sarah Sirgo, Director of Learning, Achievement, and Administration for the Magruder Cluster, about these changes.

Please know that I am forever grateful to you for your support, encouragement, and inspiration. Your dedication and generosity have transformed Redland Middle School into the "Bulldog Family."

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As we say daily, during the morning announcements, “At Redland Middle School, we demonstrate respect for self, respect for others and respect for school in all of our actions.” Thanks for allowing me to serve your children and to model Redland Respect as a Bulldog Family member. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the Redland Community for the past six years. I look forward to hearing about your many future successes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Everett M. Davis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'E'.

Everett Davis
Principal

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