



Welcome Back, Our Mighty Seahawks!

While this has hardly been a typical spring and summer, and fall 2020 will look and feel different from years past, my commitment to you remains unchanged. As I look forward to the start of a new school year, I share your excitement mixed with some concern. Inevitably somethings have changed in all us, but I believe it's a change for the best. We are better educators, we are better innovators, creators, and even better leaders for the ever-changing needs of our generation of students. We will continue to be one voice bringing out the best in each other, so that we can give the best to our scholars. This being said; please ponder the difference between a Student and a Scholar.

Student: *A person engaged in their learning.*

Scholar: *A learned person with profound knowledge of any specific subject*

As we begin the 2020-2021 school year, our KECHS teachers will cultivate classrooms that our students will enter to learn. Classrooms where our students will transform into scholars. Classrooms that our scholars will leave to succeed. Every student matters, every day counts, all the time. Our students' success is on the horizon; this excites me!

I am always eager to listen, address, and/ or change a practice, if necessary. Remember, come to me with a solution and together we will work through the problem. Our students' success is a team effort! We, the parents, students, teachers, and community have to be committed to excellence.

Success, some wish for it, WE WORK HARD FOR IT!

Sincerely,

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