

October 6, 2020

Dear Principals,

Every year, we celebrate the invaluable contributions of Norfolk Public Schools' principals during October, which is designated as National Principals Month. This year, our hearts are especially full of gratitude for your extraordinary work in leading your staff members, calming your families, and inspiring your students while simultaneously handling a constant stream of pandemic-related challenges.

I have personally witnessed your unwavering commitment to ensuring that your buildings are safe, and your staff members remain healthy as you carefully follow pandemic protocols. Moreover, your unwavering positive outlook and "can-do" attitude throughout this uncertain and unprecedented time has been extraordinarily heartwarming and deeply appreciated.

I have never been more proud of our principals than I am today. You have shown all of us that we can achieve anything if we just work together as a team. And although none of us have a crystal ball as to what the future might hold, I am convinced that we can rise to any challenge that is put before us because of your remarkable leadership, skills, and talents!

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for all that you do for our students, families, teachers, staff, and community!

Sincerely,

Dr. Sharon I. Byrdsong Superintendent of Schools