



It is my pleasure to welcome our new Ghent Family members as well as those returning to a dynamic year of virtual teaching and learning.

Since the spring of 2020, our circumstances have challenged staff and students to find a new normal for learning and has connected us in new ways. While it hasn't always been easy, students, staff, and parents alike have risen to the occasion with extraordinary flexibility and grit.

As your principal, I want to assure you that the faculty, staff, and I are all working together to provide a challenging and positive academic environment for your child. Our teachers continue to prepare highly engaging activities and remain excited to teach all the students here at our school.

As parents, you are your child's first and most influential teacher. Communication between home and school is critical to your child's academic success. We welcome you to reach out to teachers and staff regularly as we work together to build a love of learning in every student. Additionally, one of the very best things you can do to help your child succeed academically is to read to your child and or promote reading activities every day. Reading is so important to success in every subject area.

This will be an exceptional year! This is an exciting time in the history of the school. Let's work together to do what is best for the school and all of the students. It is truly a privilege to be part of a community where parents, teachers, and students strive to build positive relationships that support academic and social growth.

All of our staff works hard to make school a positive experience for all students. Ghent School is eagerly looking forward to enriching your child's life. We support the *NPS Vision of Equity and Excellence* which ensures that equitable educational opportunities will be provided for ALL students.

Together, we will make this school year one of growth and achievement for all children.

Warmest Regards,

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