



MONTCLAIR SCHOOL

OF ACADEMICS & ENRICHMENT

Dear Montclair Community,

It is truly an honor to serve as the next proud principal of Montclair School of Academics and Enrichment. I am excited to start spending time in the building to listen and learn from the staff, students and community.

Since starting my teaching career at Montclair over a decade ago, I have been developing my leadership and education skills and am honored and excited to lead as your next principal. Your diversity, values and unique community inspire me and I cannot wait to lead alongside you.

One of my main goals as we close out the 22-23 school year will be to honor and uplift the hard work that is currently being implemented by Montclair's staff and students. Additionally, I will dedicate time to listen and learn from staff, students and the community in order to build upon the foundation that is currently in progress. As I work with Dr. Dana Williams, our Collaborative Director, to create my schedule for the remainder of this school year I will be communicating out different ways that this will take place. I will be hosting meetings with staff to connect, times to meet with our community and opportunities to talk with students.

I am looking forward to meeting as many of you as possible over the next several weeks and therefore I will be present at a variety of events.

Here's where you can find me in the coming weeks!

- May 8th: Popsicles with Principal Barks (at dismissal on the playground)
- May 15th-17th: Student Led Conferences
- May 17th: PEAK Meeting
- May 22nd: Coffee Chat with Principal Barks (8:15am in library)
- May 23rd: Field Day

I will strive to make this transition feel as seamless as possible and will work to ensure that your voice is heard and represented within our school. The success of our students will come through the strong partnership we build together.

This spring, I will join you in celebrating the amazing leadership Susan Miller-Curley has brought to the Montclair community. Mrs. Miller-Curley has led the school in phenomenal ways and in order to ensure continuity and a smooth transition, I will be listening and learning as much as I can from her and the instructional leadership team over the next few weeks.

I look forward to meeting you in the coming weeks!

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