



Dear Generals,

It is such a blessing to be writing this letter detailing our return to school! What began this summer as a pipe dream became reality as July moved into August. Our staff worked so very hard to ensure we could safely return to school with our students. I am beyond proud of them. Although the return to face to face learning has been incredibly refreshing and rewarding it hasn't been without its challenges. Our staff has been over whelmed at times, trying to manage two types of learning groups at one time. Their personal sacrifices and dedication needs to be recognized and applauded. This is true of all of you as well. Thank you so much for your patience and understanding as we have navigated this school year and the obstacles it has presented to us.

The first edition of the 2020 newsletter has fun and inspiring pictures and stories of the perseverance and determination of our staff and students. Their innate ability to adapt and thrive is a testament to what makes us all GENERALS! The innovative protective measures implemented and the teamwork used to make our return to school successful cannot be fully demonstrated in these pages, but I can assure you that they are very evident in our classrooms and hallways every day.

The COVID19 closure in the spring of 2020 didn't just limit the activities we could do for students; it canceled all of our end of the year celebrations as well. One of those traditions is the honoring of our distinguished retirees for their years of dedication and service to the students, their families, and our community. Therefore we are excited to share with you a spotlight section about our retirees from last year in our current newsletter. We are so grateful for their contributions to the success of our district.

As we continue to move forward through these unusual times we ask for your continued support and patience. If you have any questions about the district Return to School plan and the safety processes in place, then we encourage you to review our Board adopted plan. This can be found on our website. You may also call your child's building principal with any questions you may have. We look forward to an exciting year and we know that we will be successful together, because WE ARE GENERALS!

Yours in Education,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Thomas Perkins". The script is fluid and cursive.

Thomas Perkins