



## **SOUTHWESTERN MIDDLE SCHOOL**

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Southwestern Middle School Families,

It is with great excitement that I write this letter of introduction as the new principal of Southwestern Middle School. I am thrilled to be joining such a committed staff and community that make Southwestern a great place for students to learn and grow.

I have been dedicated to the field of education for 24 years. Prior to becoming the principal here, I worked with students and staff from K-12 in a variety of roles. I have been a teacher, instructional coach, principal, director, and assistant superintendent. I am thrilled to utilize my skills as an educational leader at Southwestern Middle School and work with you as a partner in education to ensure your child's success.

In addition to professional achievements, my greatest accomplishment is family. My husband Jason is an educator and football coach. We celebrated our twentieth anniversary this year and have two children. Laney will be a freshman in college and Caleb will be a seventh grader. We spend most of our free time traveling to watch our kids participate in a variety of sports activities.

My first couple of weeks at Southwestern are being spent developing relationships with staff to help ensure a smooth transition. These meetings are helpful as I learn more about the school, community and unique needs of our students and staff. My goal is to build upon and continue the existing culture of excellence and achievement and to work collaboratively with our exceptional staff to ensure success for the future.

I am truly excited to embark on this journey with all of you and look forward to getting to know each and every one of our students and families. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions, concerns, or simply want to introduce yourself.

Enjoy the remaining days of summer! Go Rebels!

Sincerely,

Lisa R. Hawkins, Ed.S