Week of September 7, 2020
Dear McAuliffe Families,

I hope that you are all staying healthy this fall. I want to start by thanking you, as the families, for making sure that your students are ready for virtual school every day and are showing up ready to learn! I also want to give a huge shout out to all the MM teachers for making really engaging lessons for our students.

This is a reminder that this week is our Virtual Back to School Night, Thursday September 10th, starting at 5:30 PM. There will be videos from Administration, and teachers on what’s happening at the school, as well as highlights of what your students will be learning this year. There will also be time for some Q & A. Please go to our website for the links for that evening. There will be a separate link for each grade level. We look forward to you joining us!

In October I will be convening the CSC, Collaborative School Committee. This is a group of parents, community members and teachers who meet with me to notify me monthly to discuss happenings at the school, vet certain proposals that have school wide impact and develop ways to increase our parental/guardian involvement in all things at MM. If you are interested in joining, please look for the link at the beginning of October on our website. These will be virtual CSC meetings and will start on Thursday, October 8 at 5:30 - 6:30. These are recurring meetings that take place the 2nd Thursday of the month.

In October, I will once again hold Principal Coffees on the 3rd Friday of each month starting on Friday, October 16th at 9 - 10 AM. There will be a link for this, on our website in the beginning of October. I hope you are able to join us!

Lastly, I will be reconvening the Principal Council on October 7th at lunch time, 12 - 1 PM. This will take place once a month on the 1st Wednesday of each month. This is for any student who wants to take a leadership role in our school and help to bring about the changes that would make our school a better place for all our students. Last year we worked on promoting big athletic events, and began working on some community service projects when we were sent into quarantining in the spring. An example of this group’s voice in action was vetting a proposal and over 150 student signatures to add jeans to the dress code. We all voted to add jeans and the students were excited to see their voice counts at MM! Principal Council is open to all grade levels. The requirement is to write me a paragraph explaining why you want to be a part of this group and what you think you can bring to the group, for example your passion projects. These are due September 18th at 5 PM. My email is Suzanne_Morris-Sherer@dpsk12.org. Please put Principal Council in the subject line. I look forward to working with some new students and welcoming back current 7th and 8th graders from last year!

Stay well and warm as the weather rapidly changes!
Sincerely,
Ms. Morris-Sherer
Principal