## Dear Parent or Guardian:

Welcome back to the 2024-25 school year. My name is John Campbell, the principal at Avery. I am in my ninth year here. I have been with Bellevue Public Schools since 2005. I began my educational career at Betz Elementary where I taught third and sixth grade. I left Betz in 2013, became the Lead Teacher at Birchcrest Elementary. In 2015, I moved to Belleaire Elementary as the Lead teacher before accepting the Principal job here at Avery in 2016.

Along with the dedicated staff at Avery, we will work hard to build on past years success, by building strong positive relationships with parents, students, staff, and community partners. We will focus on creating a strong educational atmosphere, as well as fostering a safe nurturing environment for all children. We will use data to inform instruction, teach the curriculum with fidelity to increase students' achievement, and provide exciting and challenging enrichment opportunities for all students. By using technology and integrating STEM across the curriculum will help achieve these goals.

I'm looking forward to a successful year as the staff and I support the academic, social and emotional growth of your child here at Avery Elementary. During the course of the year, it is my hope that we will work together to provide the students of Avery the best possible opportunities in preparing them to be world class citizens ready to master the challenges in today's society with a solid foundation created here at our school.

As Principal, my door is always open and I welcome your input. Please feel free to stop in, email, or call to set up a time to discuss any concerns, suggestions, or ideas to help make this the best year yet!

As a reminder, the first day of school is Thursday, August 8, 2024. Also, there has been a change to our day. **The school day is now 8:00 - 2:50.** This is a change from previous school years which was 8:00-3:10. Please be sure to make the appropriate adjustments for pick up.

I look forward to working with you and your child.

In partnership,

John Campbell
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