

## Poole Elementary School Home of the Trailblazers

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## **Greetings Poole Families!**

I hope that you all have had a great summer! It's hard to believe that we are less than 2 weeks away from the 2021-2022 school year! I want to update you on some changes for Poole this year. Mr. Harrison has been promoted to Assistant Director of the Elementary Virtual Academy. While we are sad to see him leave, we are excited to welcome Jacquelyn Gandy as our new Assistant Principal! She comes to us with 23 years of experience in both Florida and Georgia schools. We are also thrilled to be adding a Literacy Coach to our staff this year to support our teachers and students with literacy. Poole has regained Title 1 status, so we are fortunate to have an Instructional Lead Teacher and a Title 1 teacher to also support our teachers and students, as well as promote parent and community involvement.

Open House will be next Thursday, July 29 from 2:00-6:00. Students with a last name beginning A-K are asked to come from 2:00-4:00 and student last names beginning L-Z will attend 4:00-6:00. Blended families with multiple last names will come according to the oldest sibling's last name. We request that only immediate family members attend Open House in order to reduce the numbers of guests in the school. Our fabulous custodians have the building looking wonderful and almost ready for you to visit. If you see one of them while you are here, please let them know you appreciate their efforts in keeping our school clean and sanitized. Masks are not required, but you may certainly wear one if you choose. Hand sanitizer will be available for you upon entry into the building. At Open House, you will have the opportunity to purchase Frozen Friday ice cream for the semester (\$15), a school shirt (\$10), a PTA membership (\$6) and Poole hairbows (\$6 each or 2 for \$10). The preferred method of payment will be via debit / credit card.

While you are at Open House, you will have the opportunity to give feedback on parent involvement as we continue planning for the year. As a mom of two school aged children, I understand the importance of working together to provide students with the best educational experience possible. My goal is to provide leadership and opportunities that **Engage** students, **Inspire** minds, and **Prepare** leaders. I look forward to meeting new families, seeing familiar faces, and celebrating successes in the 2021-2022 school year. Please know that my door is always open, so do not hesitate to stop in or call with questions, concerns, or suggestions.

Sincerely,

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