

Greetings, Middle School Gifted and Talented Students & Parents:



Welcome to the Middle School **Gifted and Talented Program** at **CSKYWLA**! I would like to take this opportunity to tell you a little about myself and share some key information about our **Gifted and Talented Program**. I am new to **CSKYWLA**, but not new to teaching or the world of talent development. I have a lifelong love of learning which I hope to pass on to our aspiring **Gifted and Talented young STEMInists**.

I am beyond excited to start this new chapter of my career! I have always been passionate about helping my most advanced students explore the heights of their potential. I will be working with students who are identified as gifted in grades 6th-8th. They will have opportunities to challenge themselves through interest-driven projects and learning experiences that go far beyond the scope of their grade-level curriculum. In addition, I will be partnering with their regular middle school classroom teachers to ensure that our students' needs continue to be met throughout the school year.

As we begin this journey together, I hope that we can be partners in providing the best possible education for our **Gifted and Talented young STEMInists**. I am driven by the overall well-being of my students and will always be their advocate and ally. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. I will usually respond quickly via email (Clemmie.russaw@apsk12.org).

Again, I am so excited to get to know you and your student(s) during this 2021-2022 school year and am looking forward to a wonderful year.

Sincerely,

Mrs. C. Russaw