## DEERWOOD ACADEMY

AN IB PYP WORLD SCHOOL

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Greetings,

It is with great pride and excitement to return for my third year as the proud principal of Deerwood Academy! I bring to this position more than twenty years of experience in education, working as a teacher and administrator at the elementary and middle school levels.

At Deerwood Academy, we truly believe that all students can learn at high levels with proper support from all staff at Deerwood Academy. We will work collaboratively and take collective responsibility to ensure the success of each student. With that in mind, I believe that all students can achieve academic success with the right guidance and support in an environment that embraces a high level of safety and high academic expectations for all. I am confident that the key ingredient to success is instilling the habit of reading, incorporating critical thinking skills, building positive relationships and building student and staff leadership capacity.

One of my goals is to work with you as a partner in education to ensure your child's success. Along with staff, I will work hard to continue the expectation of excellence and success established at Deerwood Academy by building strong relationships with students, parents, staff, and community partners. It is my sincere desire to provide leadership that facilitates an environment that provides authentic learning experiences that nurture and empower college and career ready global thinkers and problem solvers, as stated in our mission.

I anticipate a most successful year as we support the academic, social, and emotional growth of every child. Overall, I look forward to a productive year of providing "Teaching & Learning with Care or TLC" at Deerwood Academy for the 2024-2025 school year!

Sincerely,

Joy Antone Principal X: @joysantone