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Dear Cascade Parents, Students, and Community Members,

It is with great pride and excitement that I write this letter of introduction to you as the Assistant Principal of Cascade Elementary School. I have resided in Georgia for 13 years and have more than 10 years of educational experience in various sectors. Most recently, I served as the Instructional Coach at Cascade Elementary School for 4 years. I have experienced firsthand the dedication to excellence among the students, staff and community. In addition to serving as a Kindergarten teacher and Instructional Coach at Cascade Elementary, I also have experience teaching grades K, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 5th in both Atlanta Public Schools and Fulton County Schools. My educational background includes a Bachelor of Science Degree in Family and Child Development from the University New Orleans, Master of Arts in Curriculum & Instruction from the University of New Orleans, and a Specialist in Teaching and Learning from Nova South Eastern University.

Cascade Elementary is a special place with a unique culture, where students are prepared for college and career readiness. Our teachers offer wise guidance every step of the way, from pre-kindergarten through 5th grade. We offer unparalleled opportunities in academics, the arts, and prolific International Baccalaureate opportunities. Our emphasis on community involvement prepares students to become engaged and giving citizens of the world. Deep respect for difference is at the very core of our identity in this inclusive community shared by families.

Along with our principal, faculty and staff, I strive to diligently carry out the mission and vision of the Cascade Tigers. I believe that as a school, we play a fundamental role in positioning students for future success. I am committed to working closely with all stakeholders, to ensure that our children achieve their full potential and are prepared for college and career readiness. I anticipate a successful year as part of a dynamic team supporting the academic, social, and emotional growth of your child at Cascade Elementary School.

In closing, I believe that one of the strongest attributes of Atlanta Public Schools is our relationship with the community and stakeholders. When we all work together as a learning community and complete task with our students' best interest as the focus, we will continue to be a GREAT school! I plan to foster that connection during my tenure as Assistant Principal. My door is always open, and I welcome input from you. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Melisha McCloud
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Cascade Elementary School