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Dear Orchard Grove Elementary Families,

I am excited to have been appointed the principal of this wonderful school! For the past 20 years, I have proudly served the Frederick County Public Schools community as a classroom teacher, teacher specialist, and building administrator. I am enormously grateful to have the opportunity to continue my service as the principal of Orchard Grove Elementary and partner with you to ensure your child’s success. I am also thankful for the important work done by Mrs. Olsen and will hard to honor her leadership legacy.

One of the things I am most excited about as the new principal of Orchard Grove Elementary is visiting students in their classrooms so that I can get to know them and their learning goals. In fact, one of my key goals for this year is to learn as much as I can about how Orchard Grove helps to create Strong Thinkers, Caring Hearts, and Healthy Bodies. As a parent of two girls who both attend elementary school in Frederick County, I care about encouraging those things in my own children. It is exciting for me as both a principal and a father to be coming to a school that values student academic success, and also helps encourage student social and physical development as well!

I will be working hard throughout the summer with the team at Orchard Grove to get ready for another successful school year. One of the most important and motivating things about being a school administrator is the thinking, reflecting, and planning that goes into making each and every child’s experience at school a great one. As we do that work, I would welcome the opportunity to meet you face to face and learn about your family’s experiences at Orchard Grove. Please consider joining me at one of our “Better Together” sessions which will be held on July 9 at 8:30 AM, July 11 at 1:30, and July 16 at 4:00 PM. All Orchard Grove Families are invited to attend. Come for a fun conversation about why Orchard Grove is great and ways that we can be even greater!

As I get to know you and your children, I am looking forward to learning even more about the great things that are happening at Orchard Grove Elementary School and community. Every year is a new beginning and every day brings opportunities to move from great to greater. This year, we will be looking to seize opportunities to grow and improve while making sure to hold on to what has made Orchard Grove such a great place to be. As we work to continually improve, please know that we value Orchard Grove families as partners and look forward to working closely with you.

Thank you for your incredible support of our school. I hope you have an amazing end to your school year and a happy and relaxing summer!

Sincerely,

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“Greatness is a lot of small things done well every day.”

 Lewis Howes