

PENNCREST School District

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Dear MES Parent/Guardian,

First, let me say I hope you and your family are safe and healthy as you read this letter. Thank you so much for your patience and understanding as we have been adjusting, like you, to the drastic changes in life during the last few weeks. I am extremely appreciative of our students, parents, teachers and staff for their positivity, flexibility and resilience during these trying times. A huge debt of gratitude also goes to all of our doctors, nurses, hospital employees and our first responders for all they are doing to keep us safe and healthy.

As I write this message, we are currently heading into summer vacation. Who would have ever thought that this school year would end this way? We have all learned quite a bit since March 13, 2020. The moment we learned that distance learning was going to take place and that school would not resume in a brick and mortar building, you took it upon yourself to continue your child's education. In an instant, you became your child's teacher and/or facilitator of learning. I wanted to THANK each and every parent for making all of this happen for our children! Your actions show that you believe that education is important and that it will make a difference in our children's lives. We couldn't have done it without your support and we all learned something from this experience. THANK YOU PARENTS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Luckily, one of our main focus points for our educators and students over the past few school years has been developing a "growth mindset." A growth mindset unlocks our ability to learn and grow, especially during challenging times. Little did we know how important this growth mindset would be for all of us this year! Because of this experience and our growth mindset, I believe we all will be stronger when we come out on the other side of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Stay strong! Stay healthy! Have a great summer!

In partnership,

Mrs. Erin Fonzo
Principal of Maplewood Elementary School
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