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Greetings, BOLT Families!

My name is Dr. Nicole Bevere, and I am pleased to introduce myself to the Benjamin Franklin Elementary School community. I consider it a true privilege to have been appointed your new Principal. I thank the Edison Township Board of Education and Superintendent, Dr. Bernard Bragen, for their confidence in me and for giving me the chance to support and guide the students of Benjamin Franklin Elementary School, alongside Assistant Principal Dr. Stephanie Nieves and the teaching staff, in maximizing your child's potential as a learner and as a community member of Edison Township. I cannot wait to begin collaboratively working with you to ensure that Benjamin Franklin continues to be a great place to learn and work.

I realize the tremendous impact that naming a new Principal has on all of Ben Franklin's stakeholders. Therefore, I want to assure the school community that I am invested in helping Ben Franklin thrive. I look forward to listening and learning from you and readying our staff and students for take-off into the 2022-2023 school year!



My mission as your principal is to maintain and grow a rigorous teaching and learning environment that provides every student with a sense of belonging while helping them grow intellectually, emotionally, and socially. Every student must develop habits of mind and the skills necessary to pursue and achieve their goals and dreams. This journey begins at the elementary level. Your children's wings already exist; now, all they have to do is fly.

As an educator for more than 25 years, having served as an elementary school principal for fourteen of these years, I wholeheartedly value the programs and services in place in Edison. I am committed to applying an innovative mindset to build upon these practices to ensure that current and future students have opportunities to explore and develop their interests and find their true passions. I sincerely believe in a quality and comprehensive education for all students.

Edison Township is known for its academic excellence and the positive and healthy relationships between staff, students, and the community. I take very seriously that you have entrusted the young people of Ben Franklin Elementary to our care. Therefore, you should anticipate that our exemplary staff and I will give their best day in and day out.

I invite you and your child to <u>watch this video trailer</u> to learn more about me and ask that you be on the lookout for several "Meet and Greet" invitations, which I hope to share the opportunity for families to participate in in the coming weeks. Please also do not hesitate to contact me via email at nicole.bevere@edison.k12.nj.us. It will surely be an exciting time for the Ben Franklin School community, and I look forward to meeting everyone.

Respectfully,

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