

## Rainier Middle & High School 308 Second Street West Rainier, WA. 98576



Dear Parents and Students,

I hope this letter finds you well after a fantastic summer break filled with rest, relaxation, and quality time with friends and family. As we approach the start of the 2023/2024 school year, I wanted to take a moment to express my excitement for the upcoming academic year. The beginning of a new school year is always a time of anticipation and enthusiasm, and I am thrilled to welcome each and every one of you back to Rainier Middle School and Rainier High School. Whether you are a returning student or joining our school community for the first time, we genuinely look forward to having you with us!

Our dedicated staff members have been working diligently to prepare for the upcoming year, and we can't wait to see all our students again. Please know that we are committed to providing a safe, nurturing, and academically challenging environment for your children. We will continue to prioritize their well-being and educational growth, ensuring that they have the tools and support necessary to excel. Our classrooms will be filled with engaging lessons, collaborative projects, and a strong emphasis on fostering critical thinking and creativity.

We also offer an array of extracurricular activities, and I encourage each and every student to get involved. Fall sports turnouts are currently open, with high school football starting on Wednesday, August 16th, and High School Volleyball and Cross Country starting on Monday, August 21st. Middle School students interested in participating in Football, Volleyball, or Cross Country will also start practice on the 21st. If you have any questions, please contact the office of the school your child attends.

As we embark on this new school year together, I want to encourage open communication between parents, students, and our school staff. We believe that a strong partnership between home and school is essential for the success of our students, and we welcome your involvement and support throughout the year. We will be hosting our Back-To-School Open House on Wednesday, August 30th from 4:30 to 7:30. Both parents and students will have an opportunity to view class schedules and meet their teachers. There will be a break from 5:30 to 6:30, where everyone is invited to the high school football stadium for a hot dog feed and time to socialize. It is a fun tradition and a great way to reconnect with our students and families!

In closing, I want to express my sincere excitement and optimism for the 2023/2024 school year. Rainier Middle School and Rainier High School are filled with talented students, dedicated staff, and a supportive community, all of which contribute to creating a positive and enriching learning environment.

On behalf of the entire staff, I wish you a smooth transition back to school and a successful year ahead. We are confident that together, we will make the 2023/2024 school year truly great.

Sincerely,

John Beckman Rainier Middle School & Rainier High School Principal