

Hello and welcome to Heritage Elementary School, home of the Huskies! Our mission is *Learning for all. Every person, everyday, will learn, grow and help others feel respected and valued.* We are a building that serves over 500 students in grades 4K through 4th. We have over 50 full time teachers and approximately 20 support staff all of whom work together to make our school a welcoming and caring community. Students get the opportunity to experience art, music, physical education, life skills, library and much more on a weekly basis. We also have an amazing therapy dog, Casey, who recently passed the Canine Good Citizen and Therapy Dog Certification training.

Heritage has a strong and generous Parent-Teacher Organization. Our mission is to *bring families, school and community together to enhance and enrich the educational opportunities for all children at Heritage.* Throughout the year, we organize many family-friendly events as well as a variety of fundraisers which has helped to provide funding for field trips, swings on our playground, recess equipment and so much more.

One of the most important things I want students and families to know about me as a principal is that I love having the privilege of advocating for inclusive education. I strive for ensuring that all children have access to opportunities and a rigorous educational experience. Each day, I work to develop trusting, supportive relationships to see possibilities and build our resilience as educators. I am an educational leader who always puts the focus on students and truly believes in endless possibilities and success for all children.

Sincerely,

Shaunna LaPlant, Principal