

Dear Parents, Students, Staff, and Community Stakeholders,

Welcome to the **FY27 school year at Austin Road Elementary!** It is with great excitement, anticipation, and pride that I welcome each of you back as we begin another incredible year of learning, growth, and achievement.

This year, our theme is “**Journey to Excellence.**” Excellence is not a destination—it is a continuous journey of growth, commitment, perseverance, and success. As we embark on this new school year together, we are excited about the opportunities ahead and the meaningful experiences that will shape our students academically, socially, and emotionally.

At Austin Road Elementary, we believe that every child has unlimited potential, and through strong partnerships among **school, home, and community**, we can create an environment where every student thrives. Our dedicated staff has been preparing to ensure classrooms are engaging, instruction is intentional, and each student feels supported, challenged, and inspired.

To our students: We cannot wait to see your smiling faces return to our hallways. This year is your opportunity to discover new strengths, build meaningful relationships, set goals, and continue growing into leaders and lifelong learners.

To our parents and families: Thank you for entrusting us with your children each day. Your partnership is essential to our success. Together, through communication, encouragement, and collaboration, we will ensure every student experiences a year filled with growth and achievement.

To our community stakeholders and supporters: Thank you for your continued investment in Austin Road Elementary. Your encouragement, resources, and partnership strengthen our mission and help us provide exceptional opportunities for our students.

As we move forward on our **Journey to Excellence**, let us remain focused on high expectations, meaningful relationships, and creating opportunities that empower all students to reach their fullest potential.

We are excited for a year of innovation, achievement, and unforgettable moments. Together, we will continue building a culture where excellence is expected, celebrated, and achieved.

Thank you for being part of the Austin Road Elementary family. We look forward to an outstanding FY27 school year!

With excitement and appreciation,

Mrs. Lois Barney

Principal

Austin Road Elementary School

