Greetings Riders,

Welcome to the 2026–27 school year! Every school year gives us another opportunity to grow, improve, and demonstrate Rider Pride through our ***4 A's: Academics, Arts, Athletics, and Atmosphere.***

At Caesar Rodney High School, we are committed to creating an environment where every Rider can be successful. This year, our work will be centered around four Big Rocks that will guide our decisions, actions, and priorities:

- ***Maximize Instructional Time*** *– Keep students in class, engaged, and learning from bell to bell.*
- ***Elevate Instruction to Increase Student Achievement*** *– Provide high-quality learning experiences that challenge and support every student.*
- ***Strengthen Student Supports*** *– Identify student needs early and provide timely academic, behavioral, and social-emotional support.*
- ***Cultivate Our Collaborative Culture*** *– Continue building strong relationships and partnerships among students, staff, families, and our community.*

Our expectations remain grounded in the **3R's of CR.** Our Riders are **Ready, Respectful, and Responsible.** These expectations help create a safe, positive, and consistent learning environment where students can focus on learning, growing, and preparing for their future.

We will also continue our focus on maximizing instructional time through Bell to Bell, No Cell, First 10 Last 10, consistent attendance expectations, and systems designed to keep our Riders in class and engaged. Last year, our collective efforts resulted in meaningful progress, including reductions in cell phone referrals, fights, and overall discipline referrals. This year, our challenge is to build on that progress and continue raising the standard.

Our message for 2026–27 is *"Stack the Standard. Every Rider. Every Day."*

Stacking the standard means that excellence is not a one-time event. It is built through the choices we make, the expectations we uphold, and the work we do consistently each day.

We are excited about what is ahead for Caesar Rodney High School and look forward to another year of learning, growth, achievement, and Rider Pride.

When we Stack the Standard every day, we create an environment where every Rider can succeed. Thank you for helping us #StackGreatDays!

Sincerely,

Freeman Williams III
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