



**THREE VILLAGE
CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The mission of the Three Village Central School District, in concert with its families and community, is to provide an educational environment which will enable each student to achieve a high level of academic proficiency and to become a well-rounded individual who is an involved, responsible citizen.

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August 18, 2022

Dear Murphy Families,

On behalf of the entire faculty and staff, we would like to welcome you to the 2022-2023 school year at R.C. Murphy Junior High School! We hope that you are enjoying the summer and are excited and energized to begin a new school year. Our teachers and staff members have been diligently working to get our classrooms and the building ready for your return.

Again, it is with great honor and enthusiasm that I begin my first year as the Principal here at Murphy. Over my twenty-three years in education, I have served in various roles. Most recently, I have served our district as an Assistant Principal of Ward Melville High School. I feel very fortunate that I have had the opportunity to establish an excellent rapport with our students, faculty and staff, and the larger school community. R.C. Murphy Junior High School is a wonderful place and I am delighted to rejoin the Murphy family. Furthermore, it is fantastic to work again alongside our Assistant Principal, Dr. Dawn Nachtigall. Dr. Nachtigall began her career as an educator here in 1998, serving as an exemplary science teacher and chairperson before entering her current role as Assistant Principal. She is a highly esteemed member of our team.

The theme for this school year is "Prepare for Liftoff". The inspiration for this theme is the Apollo 11 mission. Although this mission occurred over half a century ago, it remains a significant source of inspiration and pride. The lunar landing in 1969 was a remarkable triumph accomplished through the unfailing efforts of over 400,000 people working together, each person within an essential role, to accomplish a common goal. This year at Murphy, we will collectively strive toward new achievements, new friendships and all-around excellence.

Student schedules will be available to view via the Parent Portal on Friday, August 19th. If you have any questions about your schedule, please email mursched@3villagecsd.org. Please be aware, we do not have the staff over the summer to field phone calls regarding schedules. You will also find locker information as well as transportation information on the Portal. Please do not post your schedules on social media as it contains your student identification number along with your locker combination. For all students that are entering 7th grade or are new to our building, we will be hosting our annual walk-thru on August 30th at 9:00am. We ask that all in attendance please meet in the auditorium with a **printed schedule** for a brief welcome from both our Assistant Principal Dr. Dawn Nachtigall, and myself.

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Medication drop off will be held in the Health Office on August 30th from 10:00am-2:00pm and on August 31st from 12:00pm-2:00pm.

We hope that you enjoy the rest of the summer. We are looking forward to the first day of school on Tuesday, September 6th and to a fun and productive experience for everyone here at R.C. Murphy Junior High School. The school day will begin at 7:40 am. Please be sure to make note of the bell schedule located on our website. Students are to report directly to their assigned first period class or to the cafeteria if they plan to purchase breakfast once they have visited their lockers. For parents that will be driving their students, we respectfully ask that you arrive within the 7:25am-7:35am window. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us if you have any questions.

Best Regards,

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