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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for another great year! We are making significant gains in reading growth! While I am pleased with the results and progress, I will not be satisfied until 90% of our students are reading on or above grade level. I will continue to view this appointment as an opportunity to bring the best of the current research to life in our classrooms and our children to levels of excellence not yet achieved. With that said, I want to ensure you that we will continue to transform our school building in a new image of our students' potential. You and I together will continue the work we started. With your assistance, it is my desire to maintain and embrace an environment safe for all students to become successful learners regardless of social-economic circumstances and/or learning modalities.

It is essential in my estimation that we share the philosophy that we too are life-long learners and our thought and actions affect students and colleagues. With confidence, collaboration consistency and competency we will be able to create a school climate and culture that nourishes learners to become critical thinkers and wise decision makers in the present and the future.

Let's aim to work even harder by digging deeper this year to produce an academic and instructional foundation that our students and we will own. Together we can give our children the skills and understandings that will prepare them for the next segment of their journey in the middle school with every child leaving at their full potential.

Our District Goal:

Salem City School District shall become a high performing district not only in New Jersey but in comparison with other states as well.

Instructional "Look For's" are as followed:

- Higher Order Thinking Questions & Think Time
- Effective Feedback
- Student Engagement

Important Information:

- Back-to-School Night will be held on **Thursday, September 12th from 5:30p.m. to 7:00p.m.**
- The *HIB policy and Student Code of Conduct* in the registration packet and parent handbook will be reviewed during back to school night.

Sincerely,
Syeda Carter

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"Hitting the Ground Learning"