Welcome Back Apple Grove Families!

It is hard to believe that summer is coming to an end. I pray that each one of you had a great summer resting; spending quality time with family and friends; and reading daily in between all the fun things you participated in.

As we embark on the 2022-2023 school year we will navigate with the theme **Taking Flight to Excellence** adopted from *Top Gun Maverick*.

As in *Top Gun* we too are faced with a difficult mission. Our challenging mission is to work towards closing the achievement gap that widened during the global pandemic.

I am confident the Apple Grove Team will successfully complete this mission!

I am honored to lead Apple Grove School. We are blessed to have persevering students, an extremely dedicated staff, and a supportive school community. I feel very fortunate to be part of this school and to support the students and families every single day!

I view education as a life-long process and continue to learn every year from our students, teachers, and parents at Apple Grove. Most importantly, I believe that students are at the center of all school-related decisions. Because the relationships between families and the school are vital to the success of our students, I encourage you to become involved in every way possible. Opportunities to engage in various activities will be shared throughout the year.

Please join us in our first back to school event on Thursday, August 24, 2022. We will have a Back to School Bash! There will be vendors, food and games for students to participate in. We will also have a barber available for free haircuts.

On Friday, August 26, 2022 we will celebrate Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students with the Tears or Cheers Breakfast followed by orientation. Pre-K and Kindergarten will bring their school supply on this day please click to RSVP below. In addition on Friday, we will have a sneak and peek for our students in grades 1-6. During your brief visit you will get to drop off your school supplies and meet your teachers while enjoying food and fun. Please note the first day parents will not be permitted to enter the classrooms. We are providing this opportunity prior to the start of school. Our first day is Monday, August 29, 2022. Students are expected to arrive at 8:30a.m.

Please mark your calendar for other important dates coming up in the months of September and October. You can find additional information in the attachments presented below.

I look forward to seeing you soon!

Love,
Dr. Holland