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Dear Mason Middle School Community Members:

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year. I would like to start this letter by letting each of you know how proud I am to be the principal and instructional leader at Mason Middle School. It truly has been a privilege to teach, learn, and coach at Mason Public Schools over the past 14 years. I look forward to the new challenge of being a principal, and humbly request that you partner with me, our teachers, and support staff to make this school year great for our children!

As a district, Mason Public Schools has invested in the development of Professional Learning Communities or PLCs. The Mason Middle School Professional Learning Community will encompass our entire school and consist of collaborative teams working interdependently on various school improvement initiatives. In order to provide time during the day for collaborative teams to meet, we have scheduled late starts beginning September 21, 2016. Please visit our district [PLC website](#) for more information regarding this initiative and to sign your child up for before school learning opportunities on those days.

In order to focus on increasing student achievement over time, Mr. Kueffner (our new MMS Assistant Principal) and I will be spending more time in classrooms throughout this year. Please know that if you leave a voicemail or email message for either principal, we will make every effort to contact you via phone or email within one school day or sooner if possible.

Additionally, Mason Middle School has a new office phone system (please bear with us as we learn all the new functions) and some slight changes to our Student Services Office hours. Mason Middle School Student Services Office is open Monday – Friday from 7:30 am – 3:00 pm while the Main Office remains open from 7:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Thank you in advance for your support! Please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teachers or call the offices if you have any questions. We are committed to making sure that MMS is a great place to learn for **EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY!**

Sincerely,

Ted Berryhill

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