



# Firebaugh Middle School

*Falcons work hard and finish strong!*

Marc Sosa  
*Principal*

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Dear FMS Parent or Guardian:

It is with great honor and excitement that we enter another school year together for the 2017-2018 school year. I have been fortunate to have had the experience of working in various capacities throughout my 23 years in education: middle and high school teacher, middle school and high school assistant principal, middle school principal and student services director. But I am most proud of the work we have done together the past four years at FMS in making it a *School to Watch* and a **PBIS Gold Model School**.

Along with the amazing staff at FMS, we will work hard to continue the success established at Firebaugh Middle School by building strong relationships with parents, students, staff, and community partners. We will focus on fostering a nurturing and safe environment for children, use data to inform and guide instruction and intervention, consistently implement strategies to increase student achievement, and providing enrichment opportunities for all students to participate in extra-curricular activities.

As our work is every year, it is our goal to work together – student, parent/guardian, and school, to provide the students of FMS the best possible opportunities in preparing your student in reaching their goal of being a graduate of Firebaugh High School. As *your* principal, my primary focus is to ensure to ensure a learning environment that is based on respect, personal responsibility, and working as a team to support your child's growth – both inside and outside the classroom.

When you see me out and about, please stop to say hello. If there are any questions or concerns that arise, don't hesitate to contact me or the FMS staff.

In partnership,

**Marcus R. Sosa**

*Principal*