



Greetings,

My name is Dr. Ronny Welborn, Ed. D., and I am proud to serve as the Principal of Hearne Junior High School. I hope you are having a wonderful summer and that your summer vacation has been filled with great moments and memories. I have had the privilege to serve the Hearne ISD as Director-Human Resources & Student Services for this past year; however, when the opportunity arose to lead the junior high campus, I felt a strong yearning in my heart to once again work with staff, students, parents, and community members in service to everyone. I would like to welcome our faculty and staff, students and parents to what promises to be a great school year!

We look forward to a very positive and productive year together! We extend a special, yearlong invitation to our families to join us at school activities and events whenever possible. We want . . . we need . . . and we value your involvement and support in your student's education! Your active participation is key to the success of your student. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your student's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our student's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities. We ask that you guide and support your student's learning by ensuring that he/she:

- 1) Attends school daily and arrives on time, ready for the day's learning experience
- 2) Completes all homework assignments given by teachers
- 3) Reads daily to develop a love for reading and to improve literacy skills
- 4) Shares school experiences with you so that you are aware of his/her school life

Last year, our overall school-wide attendance average was 95%. Our goal this year is to increase this average to 97%. We are striving to increase attendance because research has shown that attendance has a major impact on student learning. If too many absences occur, it is still a problem whether they are excused or unexcused because they represent too much lost learning time in the classroom. We understand that students will get sick and need to stay home occasionally. The important thing is to get your student to school as often as possible. Thank you for all of your effort and support to ensure your student attends school on a daily basis. I look forward to seeing each student engaged in the classroom each day from 7:55a.m. - 3:35p.m.

New Staff

Each year brings positive change. This includes a few additions to our staff. We are delighted to welcome as a new faculty member, **Jade Kuchar** (Math). And, we are very happy to have **Amanda Puryear** (Social Studies-High School) join us as well. We welcome each new and current faculty and staff member to the Hearne Junior High School family!

CAMPUS WIDE CLASSROOM RULES

The following rules apply to all classrooms within the building.

- Listen and follow directions, the first time given
- Be on time, prepared and ready to work with your materials and assignments
- No food, gum, candy or drinks other than bottled water in the classroom
- Respect my right to teach and other's right to learn

Dress Code

The dress code has not changed for the **2017-2018** school year. The approved colors for pants, capris, shorts, or skirts are still: Khaki, navy, maroon, or black. White tops may be worn but students **may not** wear white pants, shorts, capris, or skirts. Denim is not allowed.

Important Dates for Fall 2017-18

Please mark your calendars for the following fall events:

- **August 24:** 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. “Meet the Teacher Night” and “Meet the Principal Night”.
 - **Hearne JH Cafeteria**
- **August 23:** 10:00a.m. – 6:00p.m. – JH /JH Registration (Grades 7 -12)
 - **Students new to the district, please bring previous school records, birth certificate, social security card, and immunization records if you have them.**
- **August 28:** 7:55 a.m. – First Day of Class
- **September 4:** **Labor Day - NO SCHOOL**

We hope you will find our website helpful and informative. All of the information we send out each six weeks with report cards can be found on this site. Newsletters will go out with report cards each six weeks with updates, events, and calendar events. We have a **Twitter account (@MyHearneISD)** that will send out updates and announcements, and join us on the **Hearne Junior High School Facebook** page as well.

I am truly grateful to God for His blessing me to serve as the principal of Hearne Junior High School. It is truly an honor and a privilege to be a part of a community where parents, teachers and students care for each other and strive to build positive relationships that support academic and social growth. Here’s to an AWESOME new school year!

Respectfully,

Dr. Ronny Welborn, Ed. D.

Principal

Hearne Junior High School

P.S. I look forward to calling some very exciting football games from the press box-----WhaaaHooooo!!! Go Eagles!!!