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Dear Myron L. Powell School Families,

I am honored to be starting my 7th year as both the Superintendent and Principal of the Lawrence Township School District. My previous roles in education over the past 32 years include a one-to-one special education aide, teacher, supervisor, coach, principal and chief school administrator. I believe that even with my vast background of working with children, they continue to teach and enrich my life every single day. My goal is to share my love of teaching and learning with all the families at MLP in order to benefit our children and this community!

Our school-wide theme this year is Teach Peace. Kathy Gross, our Art Teacher, painted a beautiful mural at the end of our hallway to creatively share our mission. We will invite all students and staff to purchase t-shirts in a few weeks displaying the logo Teach Peace. Each grade level will conduct a project to show kindness, do good deeds for others, or raise awareness for a certain issue. Students will wear their shirts as a sign of working in unity to achieve a common goal as we empower them with responsibility to positively affect the lives of others.

Once again, our student enrollment has increased this year! We added another preschool classroom for our ever-growing number of 3 and 4-year old children. Our district receives money through an Early Childhood grant that requires high-quality standards, with small class sizes. Our teachers and aides receive training in early childhood best practices to enhance the experiences our children receive as they lay the foundation for learning.

This school year, we added Amplify Science as a new curricular component for our middle schoolers. Students will take on the role of scientist or engineer to investigate real-world problems. They will conduct investigations as if they were forensic meteorologists or medical students, in order to collect and assimilate data to analyze possible solutions to their tasks.

With a warm heart and an enthusiastic spirit, I wish you a very successful 2019-2020 school year.

Yours in Peace,

Dr. Shelleymarie Magan, Chief School Administrator