

MARION-FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL Lucas Cech, Principal

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Mission: Each student is highly educated, prepared for leadership and service, and empowered for success as a citizen in a global community.

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Marion-Franklin Students:

The beginning of every school year is always energetic and exciting. I have had a great welcome to the Red Devil community by the students, parents, staff, and community. As I walked the hallways and toured classrooms during the beginning of the year every classroom was filled with eager faces and active bodies and minds. As we now enter October the classrooms seem to have some more somber or tired faces that have now entered the grind of another school year. I would like to encourage everyone to stay energized and focused. It is the days throughout the year where we are learning the most important lessons and working toward improving ourselves and our future. We stay focused on our expectations here at Marion-Franklin High School through our Southside PRIDE! (Prepared Respectful Integrity Diversity Excellence) I have seen many students model this on a daily basis. Some students have missed some expectations by trying to solve their problems without utilizing our Southside PRIDE expectations to assist their decision making. I want to remind all students how committed the adults in the building are to success! If a student ever thinks they may be behaving in a way that does not meet the expectations for success, they should speak to a trusted adult for some conversation or advice. Our teachers and support staff can help and offer guidance or a listening ear. Our counselors and safety and security are specifically trained to handle situations that occur in teenagers' lives.

Thank you to everyone who has made this a fantastic beginning to the school year. Please keep up the good work. It is the daily practice of doing what we know is right and seeking to make ourselves better that prepare us for our lives and create habits that bring success. If you are struggling some days, here are some reminders:

- Focus on the Southside P.R.I.D.E. Expectations. They are posted in every classroom.
- Seek assistance from staff members before handling any situation in a way that may disrupt the learning environment. Counselors and others are available by having a pass from your teacher or immediately for emergencies.
- Review the Columbus City Schools Guide to Student Success. This guide is in place to ensure a quality learning environment for all students.

The choices we make today are what create our future.

Go Red Devils!

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