



MARION-FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL

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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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Greetings Marion-Franklin High Family!

I am excited to be starting my second year as principal of Marion-Franklin High School. I had a very welcoming first year becoming part of the Southside family. I learned a lot about Southside Pride and intend to continue to emphasize the partnerships we have with our families and community members.

We have been fortunate to receive a two year grant that we will be spending on increasing the positive climate at Marion-Franklin High School. We will invigorate our Red Devils Dollars program and spend more time working with our students on restorative practice. Restorative practice is a social science that studies how to improve and repair relationships between people and communities. The purpose is to build healthy communities, increase social capital, decrease crime and antisocial behavior, repair harm and restore relationships. We want our students to understand that when mistakes are made we will work together to repair any damages done to the school community both emotionally and physically.

We have done our research into the top priorities of what students and staff find as the most disruptive things to a positive climate or academic excellence. As the father of a high school age child, one of the things was of no surprise...cell phones! We will continue to work with our students on appropriate phone use and ask that you continue to assist us reinforcing appropriateness at home. The other two things are tardiness and insubordination. We understand the complex life of a teenager, and will continue to support and model appropriate behavior for success.

There will be a Freshman Orientation from 6:00 – 7:30 pm on Tuesday, August 20th. We will cover safety protocols and discuss building policies and programs. There will be pizza provided. Students will be able to pick up a copy of their schedule afterwards. The building will be open if new students would like to take a quick walk-through.

I look forward to a great school year!

Go Red Devils!

Sincerely,

Lucas Cech