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Ridge Street School

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2018-2019 First Quarter Update

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Dear Ridge Street Family,

The culture at Ridge Street School is one that is based on **R**espect, **I**ntegrity, **D**iligence, **G**enerosity, and **E**ffort.

Various metrics which impact the social and academic achievement of our students such as attendance and assessment data indicate that Ridge Street School continues to excel! Strategic planning and preparation are consistently guided by a growth mindset to continuously increase the rates of student achievement.

In terms of enhancing student achievement by providing students and teachers with increased access to technology, our school will be receiving **128 additional Chromebook devices** bringing our student to computer ratio closer to our desired goal of having **one computer** for **every child**! This amazing initiative will serve to enhance small group instruction and provide additional access to resources and academic interventions such as i-Ready, System 44, and other research-based programs, which will continue to support student growth at Ridge Street School.

Although our main building is more than 100 years old, work has been underway to make necessary renovations and repairs to both the Main Building and the ECC. Beginning in late August, the outside of our building received a fresh coat of paint, which has revitalized the outside appearance of our **beautiful school**! Repairs have been made to correct issues related to roof, masonry, and water drainage which caused water leaks in a number of locations throughout our school. Leaks have since been sealed and we are now in the process of making needed repairs and updates to our building's interior, such as the painting of our hallways, the updating of some bathrooms, and the replacement of some floors.

In addition, our building is being outfitted with a brand new state-of-the-art PA system, which will facilitate communication between classrooms and the main office as well as signal protocols in the event of an emergency. Furthermore, the system can provide various options to enhance our school's environment through a number of chimes and musical signals that will be utilized during transition times.

Ridge Street School's grants and partnerships provide our students with extracurricular and co-curricular opportunities, which build background knowledge and serve to support the alignment between learning and experiences. Our goal is to continue to offer an array of programs to promote a love of learning and a sense of responsibility for every student!

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns regarding your child's progress.

Sincerely,

David DeOliveira
Principal