Greetings,

Summer can be the best time of year to spend quality time with family and friends while engaging in experiential learning.

It is my privilege to welcome you to the 2019-2020 school year. As I enter year seven as principal of Clague Middle School, I want to say thank you for choosing us! We are committed to providing a safe, challenging, enriched learning environment through a partnership of family, staff and community. We are dedicated to educating all students by fostering high academic standards, developing positive relationships, and encouraging social responsibility in a dynamic, culturally diverse environment. Our mission is to create a positive, safe, success-oriented learning environment designed to meet the unique and challenging individual needs of all our students.

It is very important to us that you and your child/children feel valued and connected at Clague. To help with this please encourage your child to participate in the school community by becoming involved in a variety of activities such as clubs and sports as well as other events and happenings that take place throughout the school year. The benefits have academic, social emotional and health implications. Participation in extracurricular activities can lead to success in school. Research suggests that participation in extracurricular activities may increase students' sense of engagement or attachment to their school, and thereby decrease the likelihood of school failure. (Lamborn et al, 1992; Finn, 1993). Middle schools are protective settings for activities where students are encouraged to be involved in something larger than themselves while helping others in our community.

Clague Middle School believes that every child is capable of accomplishing great things, and that each one can have a positive impact. In order to have a learning environment that maximizes each young person’s potential, expectations are very high, both academically and behaviorally. We expect students to meet these standards with guidance and support from home and from school. We look forward to seeing you at registration or the first day of school.

Click the link for registration information Clague Registration Information.

Math Testing Out… Only students who are new to Ann Arbor Public Schools will be eligible for testing out in September. Students will be permitted to take tests for Math 6, Math 7, and Algebra 1AC. The test protocol for Math 6 and Math 7 time frame is 1.5 hours, and the Algebra 1AC exam time limit is 3.5 hours. The website address is https://www.a2schools.org/Page/7900.

Finally, help us convey to your child that Clague Middle School is a special place, and that it is special because of their involvement and yours. We invite you to join any or all of the many activities and school-sponsored committees. There is a place for everyone to participate.

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Below are a few important dates that I want you to be aware of as we prepare for the upcoming year. First, curriculum night for the entire middle school will provide you with an opportunity to go through your child’s schedule and meet each of their teachers while learning some of the things the students will be doing in each class.

Working in partnership we will have an incredible 2019-2020 school year. Please continue to enjoy the summer and we look forward to a great school year.

Sincerely,

Ché & Jennifer

**Important**

8-21-19 Registration 7th Grade 8:30-11:30AM, 8th Grade 1:00-4:00 PM (HR Imaging - School Pictures taken)
8-22-19 Registration 6th Grade 8:30-11:30AM & Any grade 1:00-2:30 PM (HR Imaging - School Pictures taken)
9-3-19 First Day of School
9-12-19 Curriculum Night
6:00 6th grade parents w/ Music Teachers & all grades, 6:30 ALL Curriculum Night begins in your child’s 1st hour classroom

Keep in mind these photos will be used for the yearbook and school transcripts; be sure to dress according to how you wish to be remembered. You may also prepay for school pictures online at [shop.hrimageing.com](http://shop.hrimageing.com).

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