

July 25, 2022

Hello Conway Families,

Welcome to the 2022-23 school year! I am your new principal, Dr. Jeannie R. Lett, and I am so excited to be the new leader of our Cougar den. I know for a lot of you having a new principal can be a little unsettling. However, I want you to know that I come to you with 23 years of solid education experience and even better, I come with the passion to lead! Therefore, I am looking forward to building strong relationships with you as we work together to ensure that our students here at Conway receive the best education possible.

As we get closer to the opening date of August 10, for our students to return, there is a lot of information that I will be sharing with you. For starters, I'd like to invite you to my first community event. I call it, "Cupcakes & Chats". This will be held on July 31 from 9am until 2pm here at Conway Middle. This is an opportunity for you to come in, grab a few cupcakes and sit and talk to me about your vision for our school. I want to hear about your experience with Conway as well as your student's experience. I'd love to talk about how we can work together to make sure that our students are the best that they can be and that they receive the best education we can offer.

Throughout these next few weeks, I will share some pertinent information with you about our opening days, dress code, student expectations, orientation dates and registration. To begin, you can always visit our school website at <http://conway.jcps-ky.com/> to view much of the information that I will be sharing with you.

Many of our policies will remain the same this year. Our dress code will continue to be student friendly with minimum changes. The biggest change addresses the wearing of hoodies. Our students will be allowed to wear hoodies into the building but should place them in their lockers once they enter the building. We have made this change to address safety concerns as it is always our responsibility and primary goal to keep our students safe. So we ask that you help us implement this change with fidelity. Our student expectations will also remain the same. We simply expect our students to come to Conway Middle School to be the best they can and perform at their best socially and academically. We expect them to be leaders and not followers. We expect them to shine! And most importantly, we expect them to come to school with the focus of learning and becoming great!

We will continue to implement our VILS (Verizon Innovative School of Learning) program which means our students are provided an iPad, charger, backpack and data plan. This is a great program for our students and minimizes the need for school supplies. If you can provide folders, at least 2 notebooks, loose leaf paper, pencils and pens, we will take care of the rest. If you should have any issues supplying those items, please let us know and we will make sure that your child receives them.

Lastly, one of our biggest tasks right now is getting our wonderful students registered. We would like all of our students registered by August 3 if at all possible. As in previous years, we ask that you register your child online. This is done through the Parent Place portal. The web address is

<https://apps.jefferson.kyschools.us/ParentAccount>. If you cannot remember your login information, please contact us and we will be able to reset it for you. Also, if you are unable to complete the registration process online, you may stop by the school during our regular hours, 8am-3pm for assistance. 6th grade students will have an official “New Cougar Orientation” on August 4 at 5:30 pm. Therefore, we will be available at Orientation to help any 6th grade parent needing help with registration.

Again, I invite you to come out and meet me on July 31 from 9am until 2pm. I am looking forward to meeting you and working with you.

Sincerely,

Your Excited and Humbled New Principal,

Dr. Jeannie R. Lett

