



NEWBURGH ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Dear SMS Families

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year! I know you all have had an interesting summer, but I hope you have spent quality time with your loved ones. I also hope that you have had some time to relax and recharge for the start of a historical school year! The beginning of this school year will not look or feel like any other year. However, COVID 19 will provide many different experiences that will make us resilient and thrive. This may not be the “normal” back to school routine, but I am thrilled to welcome all of you back to a new school year of innovative learning.

Personally, I am very honored and excited to continue as your Principal for the upcoming school year. Last year, during my first year as principal at SMS, I had a chance to meet many students and families. This year, I am grateful to be able to continue my journey with you as Principal and look forward to building a stronger relationship with you and your child. With this in mind we are striving to increase our opportunities to collaborate and communicate with our parents and families, solicit feedback and provide information in a timely manner.

An SMS Family Hub has been created to provide you with resources and information all in one place. In addition to the Parent Portal, these two platforms will keep you abreast of your students’ progress and happens here within the school community. Furthermore, there will be monthly newsletters with upcoming events, parent resources, social media platforms (Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook), robo calls with quick and accurate information and of course, our PTG Facebook Page! We encourage your participation with the SMS community. By way of joining the PTG, completing surveys, asking questions and actively communicating with the SMS staff.

The entire SMS staff is dedicated to caring for all students with a common goal to provide a safe nurturing environment and is working diligently to ensure that all students are supported emotionally. I believe as educators we can help students express their feelings and find coping strategies in order to deal with issues while staying engaged.










We look forward to seeing our students and families again. Together we will make this year a milestone for growth and achievement. Detailed information about daily protocols and procedures will be provided at a later time, closer to re-entry in the building.

If you have any questions and/ or concerns please feel free to reach out to me, the Assistant Principals, School Counselors and/or office staff.

Warm Regards,
Chante’ Brooks

The following are links to very important information:

Please click on the links within the boxes to access the information:

Parent Portal Access	Student Sample Schedule	SMS Family Hub
 <p>Contact SMS Main Office 845-563-7000 <small>Access to grades and student schedules</small></p>	 <p>Schedule</p>	 <p>SOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL FAMILY HUB SMS Family Hub</p>
District Calendar	NECSD - Back to Building	Attendance Policy
 <p>DISTRICT CALENDAR</p>	 <p>Operation REOPEN</p>	 <p>attendance MATTERS</p>
Google Classroom Code	SMS Staff Organizational Chart	SMS Student Supply List
		 <p>Supply List</p>

Schools on an A/B/C Rotation

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
In-Person	Blue	Blue	Virtual	Gold	Gold
Virtual	Virt- Gold	Virt. Gold	All Virtual	Virt.-Blue	Virt.-Blue
Day Rotation	A	B	C	A	B
	C	A	B	C	A
	B	C	A	B	C