As we gear up for the 2024-2025 school year, I couldn't be more excited to welcome each of you back to Bay District Schools! With the first day of school just around the corner on August 12, I wanted to share my thoughts and provide a few updates.

Our dedicated Bay District Team of Teams, who have been working tirelessly throughout the summer, is fully prepared to ensure a seamless and successful start to the school year. Their unwavering commitment and hard work should reassure you of our readiness. From our incredible teachers and support staff to our diligent transportation and safety teams, everyone is committed to providing our students with the best possible educational experience.

I am genuinely excited to see our classrooms and hallways come alive with the energy and enthusiasm of our students. The beginning of a new school year is always a special time, filled with new opportunities, friendships, and learning experiences. We are working hard to ensure all students feel welcomed and supported from the first day of school until the last day of the school year. Safety is our top priority, and we are committed to providing a secure and nurturing environment for all our students. Building relationships with students and our stakeholders is also very important to us, and we want you to know we're committed to ensuring our students feel valued, supported, and inspired to achieve their fullest potential.

Our focus this year remains steadfast on putting the "A" back in Bay. This means prioritizing accountability, including consistent and timely attendance for all students, academic achievement, and the involvement of our students in the arts and athletics. Parents and guardians, your involvement and support are not just crucial, but integral to your child's success. Your active participation in your child's education, attendance at school events, and regular communication with teachers and school staff are highly valued. Your partnership is invaluable; we can make a significant difference in our students' lives together.

As we count down to the first day of school on August 12, let's approach this new year enthusiastically and positively. The dedication and hard work of our entire Bay District Schools team have set the stage for an extraordinary year ahead. I am confident that we will achieve great success with your support and our collective efforts.

Thank you for your continued trust and partnership. Let's make the 2024-2025 school year the best one yet! Together, we are Bay District's Team of Teams, ensuring a bright and promising future for all our students as we focus on putting the "A" back in Bay!

If you have questions about the upcoming school year, please check out our comprehensive back-to-school website at <u>https://bay.k12.fl.us/back-to-school</u>. And, of course, please feel free to contact us with any questions at 850-767-4100 or contact your child's school.