## Jonesboro Middle School

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Dear Students and Parents of Jonesboro Middle School,

On behalf of the Jonesboro Middle School faculty and staff and myself, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you back to the greatest middle school in the nation, Jonesboro Middle School Home of the "Golden Bears". I would like to extend an extra warm welcome to all new students and parents. We look forward in working hand-in-hand with you to ensure that your child experiences the most productive and meaningful school year possible.

Our theme for this school year is "JMS: Rising to a HIGHER Standard". We had a very productive 2016-2017 school year as Jonesboro Middle School achieved gains in student achievement scores with significant gains in 8<sup>th</sup> grade math in which JMS was featured in the AJC as one of four middle schools in CCPS that achieved double digit gains. As we move forward to this school year with the addition of grade level SLC/Academies (Small Learning Communities), a concise dress code expectation for each grade level and creating a mindset of high performance, there is no doubt in my mind that Jonesboro Middle will be the highest performing middle school in Clayton County. With that being said, we ask that you partner with us this year by:

- 1) Attending parent/teacher conferences and other academic meetings and activities,
- 2) Contacting your teacher first concerning any questions or concerns that you may have, as research has shown that positive teacher/parent relationships affect student achievement, and
- 3) Supporting the vision and mission of the school.

I wish you and your child all the best for a successful school year! Sincerely,

Corey Stephens, Ed.S Principal