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A Message from Dr. Clint M. Mitchell



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Dear CBPS Families and Community,

Happy New Year! I hope that you were able to spend some quality time with your children and other loved ones.

Today is my first day as Superintendent of Colonial Beach Public Schools (CBPS). As this new journey begins, I want to take time to thank School Board Chair, Ms. Michelle Payne, and the rest of the Board for trusting me to lead CBPS. As we embark on this new journey, I want to thank all our families and members of the community for their vigorous commitment to keeping our students safe during this pandemic.

The pandemic continues to have a significant impact on the work that our teachers and staff are tasked with. Please be assured that the safety of our students, staff, and community is my number one priority. We will continue to follow the state's guidelines as outlined in SB1303, which requires us to maintain in-person learning unless done so in consultation with the local health department. I understand that various strands of the Covid-19 virus are a major concern for our school community. We will continue to follow all the mitigation strategies from the Center for Disease Control (CDC), the Virginia Department of Health (VDH), and our local health professionals.

As I shared with the Board during my interviews, I have outlined my 100-day entry plan which I will share with our school community. Over the next few weeks, I am looking forward to meeting

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many of our families during my listening and learning tour of CBPS and the greater Colonial Beach community. I want to hear about your thoughts about CBPS so that we can begin our next level of work. The entry plan has six main questions. They are:

- 1. What traditions and beliefs do we value as an organization?
- 2. What are the strengths of Colonial Beach Public Schools?
- 3. What are the challenges facing Colonial Beach Public Schools?
- 4. What must we absolutely keep at Colonial Beach Public Schools?
- 5. What ideas do you have for improvement at Colonial Beach Public Schools?
- 6. How are we engaging families in Colonial Beach Public Schools? What challenges are families facing?

The data collected from all stakeholders will help guide our new Strategic Plan and budget priorities in CBPS. My team and I will engage staff and community in this process as we strive to create a culture of collaboration and transparency.

I am elated to begin this work and serve Colonial Beach Public Schools students, families, staff, and all other community stakeholders. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve as your Division Superintendent.

Sincerely

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Superintendent

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