



# COLE ACADEMY

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Dear Cole Academy Families,

On behalf of the staff at Cole Academy, we would like to welcome you to the 2017-2018 school year! We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children can achieve their highest potential. Our educational philosophy centers on a few foundational pillars; a culture of respect and dignity for students and adults, research-based instructional practices, professional development, high expectations for student achievement and a familial atmosphere which is conducive to learning.

The administration at Cole is headed by Mr. Brian Shaughnessy, our superintendent, who is currently working on our new East Lansing campus, to be open fall 2018! I will serve again as building principal and be the point person for the day-to-day operations of the school. Mrs. Michelle Helmic continues her work as the administrative assistant and helping our school run smoothly. Mrs. Cassandra Martin returns as our Curriculum Assistant/Instructional Coach ensuring high student achievement and solid professional learning for our staff.

The following teacher/paraprofessional teams will be leading the way:

Kindergarten: Ms. Emma Newton/Ms. Amy Thompson/Mrs. Laura Smith

First grade: Mrs. Dawn Smith/Ms. Jenny Murine

Second grade: Mrs. Kristin Novello/Mr. Tyler Soule

Third grade: Mrs. Mellissa Reed/Mrs. Nicole Dargan

Fourth grade: Ms. Lauren Kubert/Ms. Paula Burton

Fifth grade: Mrs. Ann Jasonowicz/Mrs. Kylie Stuart

Sixth grade: Mrs. Joy Sheridan/Mrs. Kim Cornett

Please see Mrs. Helmic in the office to update all information on your accounts as this is how we communicate and gather emergency contact information. This includes cell phone numbers and emergency contact/pick up designations, updated email account information, and any changes to your child's information. The wonderful Cole staff and I feel privileged to be a part of this school family. We thank you for your support and look forward to seeing you on the **first day of school on Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup>** as well as at our **Open House on Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup> @ 6 pm.**

Warmly,

*Stacey Johnson*

Principal

*Brian Shaughnessy*

Superintendent