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Welcome to the 2024-2025 School Year! Principal's Message

Hello Knight Family!

As your principal, I want to welcome you to another exciting school year. This year will be packed with exciting new ventures for your student regarding academics and extracurricular activities. The mission of Stewart County Schools is as follows: **To provide a quality education to all students**, while the vision is **to become one of the highest performing districts in the state of Georgia**. We continue to believe that all stakeholders play a vital role in the success of our students.

One of the continued goals this year is a strong focus on reading, as supported by Governor Brian Kemp, State School Superintendent, Richard Woods, and their respective cabinet members. We continue to work to increase reading across all grade levels. We are asking you to read to your child daily, and have him/her read to you daily. This promotes learning and a lifelong love for reading. We have new books available for checkout by your student, and we want them to take them home and read!

The school district will continue to provide each student with a chrome-book that he/she is responsible for during the school year. Parents/guardians are responsible for damages or loss of their student's device. Note the updates on pages 67-68 of the student handbook. There is other information regarding our resolution protocol, dress code, bus policy, and procedures.

You are welcome to contact the school if you have any questions or concerns once you review the handbook or anytime during the school year. We look forward to a great school year communicating and partnering with you for the success of your child.

Sincerely,

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