



South Amboy Middle/High School

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Greetings Students and Parents of South Amboy Middle High School,

My name is James H. Brown, Jr. and I'd like to introduce myself to the great community of South Amboy! It is my honor and privilege to write to you as the newly appointed principal of South Amboy Middle High School. This school year will mark my 19th year in public education, in which I have served as a school administrator and leader for the last eleven years. As a dedicated and hands-on principal, I am thrilled to bring my skills as an educational leader to this great school. I can assure you that it won't be long until you truly see and feel my authentic passion, enthusiasm, and commitment to cultivating an environment for learning while also providing amazing and memorable experiences that will be cherished for years to come.

As the new instructional leader at South Amboy Middle High School, I embrace my responsibility to carry out the mission statement which is to "educate and empower today's learners to develop intellectually, emotionally, and socially as tomorrow's leaders within a diverse community of supportive and committed educators, parents, and citizens." In addition, I ecstatically accept the charge and responsibility to challenge students to become critical thinkers and help them develop the academic and social skills necessary to reach their highest potential. This will ultimately ensure that they are prepared to navigate an evolving global society once they depart from the hallways of South Amboy Middle High School.

A wise man, whom I have a great deal of respect for, once said, "Culture starts with listening deeply and really hearing what people have to say. Most people want to produce good results and want a voice in that process." With that being said, I truly believe in the importance and value of obtaining input from all stakeholders. In essence, please don't hesitate to reach out with any thoughts, feedback, or even to say a friendly hello.

As we enter the middle of the year, I can promise you that we will build on the positive momentum that has been established and finish strong. As an ongoing learner, I expect that I will continue to learn much about the uniqueness of South Amboy this year and in the years to come. I look forward to meeting and working with the students, parents, staff members and community members on continuing the tradition of excellence at South Amboy Middle High School as we "Empower Today's Learners to Become Tomorrow's Leaders."

Respectfully,

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