## **Franklin Learning Center High School**

-A Pennsylvania Blue Ribbon School of Excellence--Middle States Association Accredited School-616 N. 15<sup>th</sup> Street Philadelphia, PA 19130

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Dear Freshman Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Welcome Back FLC Family! We hope that you and your families had a safe and enjoyable summer and that your children are all just as excited as we are to meet them. On Tuesday, August 31, 2021 all students are due to arrive at 7:55 am. Just in case there is any confusion about our arrival time, we start Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 7:55 am and we end each day at 2:59 pm. Our arrival time for Wednesday's is 8:55 to allow our teachers to participate in Common Planning Time as prescribed by the SDP. Please contact the school if you have any questions about our bell schedule.

As students return to the building on Tuesday, we ask them to bring with them their fully charged laptop, be prepared to wear their mask all day, and bring a positive mindset. Our first couple of weeks of school will provide students with the opportunity to participate in extended advisory to learn about our new Mission Statement, our Core Values (Justice, Mercy, Honor, Truth) which will be introduced through Relationships First.

Relationships First (RF) is a restorative practices model developed in response to challenges many SDP schools have encountered in implementing other restorative practices models. It is a school-wide intervention that includes activities within individual classrooms and across various school settings. These activities include a set of circle-based procedures that use conversational protocols to guide and scaffold open, respectful discussions that build authentic, empathetic connections between and among school staff and students. RF's philosophy emphasizes the importance of positive, authentic human connection and its link to both academic success and social-emotional learning.

Finally, as we prepare to open doors we would like to have a little fun with our students, so for the first two weeks of school we are asking that all students and staff wear their "Philly Swag" and represent their favorite teams, places, schools, logos, etc. Our official dress code will begin on Monday, September 13th.

Sincerely, Nicole Lee

Mrs. Nicole Lee Principal

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

FLC is an inclusive school community dedicated to providing a diverse student body with a rigorous and culturally-responsive education that prepares students with the professional and social skills they need to be outstanding community members of the city, nation, and world.