



MIKE BENDER

PRINCIPAL

LILBURN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Dear Lilburn Elementary School Community,

I am humbled and honored to introduce myself as the new principal of Lilburn Elementary and join this excellent school community starting June 1st! I can assure you that I share in this school community's dedication to caring for each and every student while providing them with a meaningful learning environment.

Although I am an educator, I am also a husband and dad with two children who love sports and outdoor activities. I like reading when I have downtime, and I also try to stay active—I recently began Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu and am learning a lot about myself through this practice!

The 2022-2023 school year will mark my 23rd year in education. I spent four years teaching and coaching at Meadowcreek High School, so I am very excited about this opportunity to return to this area of the county. In addition to my work at the high school and my current principal role at Woodward Mill Elementary, I have also worked at two middle schools in Gwinnett County.

I firmly believe that every child can exceed and that the cooperation between home and school builds trust and self-esteem in students. I look forward to partnering with families and the community, and I welcome conversations with you about our school. We are looking to open the school to more activities and events for families during the 2022-2023 school year.

To our students, I cannot wait to see you all! I hope that you are excited about this coming school year. It will be a meaningful and fun year, and we will be learning together to achieve the highest accomplishments. If you are attending summer learning, I look forward to working with you this summer!

To conclude, I sincerely welcome your input, conversation, and engagement in our school community. Let us keep our students the primary focus of our work. I cannot wait to celebrate our collective successes during the 2022-23 school year!

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Sincerely,

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