

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear 6th Grade Superhero Students and Families,

Welcome to Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School — where we're not just learners, we're heroes in the making! We are thrilled to MARVEL at the journey ahead and celebrate the amazing growth each of you will achieve this school year. As your 6th-grade team, we believe every student has unique strengths, and we're here to help you discover them, sharpen your skills, and soar to new heights.

Whether you're feeling excited, nervous, or a bit of both — that's okay! Starting middle school is a big step, and you're not alone. I am Ms. Anthony, your administrator. Ms. Goodridge, the 6th-grade Professional School Counselor, and I are your trusted sidekicks and resources. Together, we'll face every challenge and cheer every victory.

At MLK, we follow The King's Principles to help us stay on track and treat each other like the heroes we are:

- Be Ready Prepared minds are powerful minds!
- Be Responsible Great power comes with great responsibility.
- Be Safe Protect your space, your peers, and your peace.
- Be Respectful Superheroes lift others up and lead by example.

New Student Orientation will take place on **Monday**, **August 25th**, from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm. This is your chance to get to know your school, meet classmates, tour the building, and start building your superhero squad!

We can't wait to partner with you this year — parents, your support is key to helping your child become confident, capable, and connected. Look out for upcoming messages from us, and never hesitate to reach out with questions or ideas. In the meantime, consider the following:



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- Ensure school supplies and uniforms are ready for the first day! The school supply list and uniform requirements are on the MLK website.
- Establish a routine that includes bedtime, a time and place for homework, review or study time.
- Be ready to ask questions. We will help you get back into the rhythm of school.
- Be flexible. Making sure that everyone is safe is a top priority. We may need to make a few changes after school starts.

Please look at the MLK and PGCPS websites for resources and additional information that can assist you with any questions.

Here's to a MARVEL-ous year ahead!

Heroically yours,

Ms. Danielle Anthony

Assistant Principal, Grade 6

Ms. Tracey Goodridge

Professional School Counselor, Grade 6