

## PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME

**Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year!** I am thrilled to welcome our students and staff back to school. It has been a busy summer at Summerton Early Childhood Center (SECC) as we consolidate and prepare for implementation of several district wide instructional programs and initiatives. We hope that you were able to relax and make special memories with your friends and families. Now it is time to look forward to a wonderful new school year!

Our incredible staff have been in school throughout the summer to prepare classrooms for the new school year. We are also excited to welcome new staff members to our SECC family.

We recognize that some students may be feeling anxious with the start of a new school year, and we will continue to place a strong emphasis on social emotional learning while focusing on building classroom community. There will also be a focus on specialized skills and content needed to learn grade level materials while providing the appropriate tools needed to grasp concepts.

SECC is such a special place to learn and grow. We are proud of our beautiful school, and we have high expectations for each and every student. Our students are our priority. Together, our dedicated staff will constantly strive to make connections with students to help them feel valued, accepted, and safe. SECC's school motto "A Great Place to Learn" will continue to guide our mission to provide a rigorous and nurturing school environment that will in return produce lifelong learners.

Partnering with families will be crucial this year as we continue to move toward operating in normalcy. We encourage families to stay connected and informed by following our school and district websites as well as by signing up for the ParentSquare communication platform.

Let's make this school year a great year. Together we can achieve more.

With Eagle Pride,

*Ricky White*

Principal