

Dr. Louis A. Cerulli School #34

530 Lexington Avenue, Rochester, NY 14613 Dave Passero-Principal Dianne Agostinelli-Vice Principal



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Dear School #34 Community,

It is an honor to introduce myself, Dave Passero, as the new principal at Dr. Louis A. Cerulli School #34. I am absolutely thrilled to begin my first principalship here in Rochester, New York on Lexington Avenue. Over 50 years ago, my mother and uncles walked the halls of School #34 and over 85 years ago my grandfather sat in these classrooms. School #34 has a special place in my heart and I hope to make it a special place for you and your loved ones.

In addition to my role as a principal, I am first and foremost a father and a husband. I am blessed to have two smart and beautiful young girls. Elle will turn 3 years old this September and Quinn was just born this past February. My wife, Jess, is an amazing mother and educator. She works as a speech pathologist at School #5. They can't wait to meet you.

My passion for education began when I was 16 years old as a lifeguard and swim instructor at the YMCA. It was my job to motivate my students, care for them, and encourage them. I provided critical feedback and made sure my 5 and 6 year olds had the best front crawl and backstroke in the entire pool. This passion for motivating and holding students to a high standard has carried me through my time as a teacher, instructional coach, a director of Specialized Services, and as an assistant principal.

The 2018-2019 school year will be my 13th year in the Rochester City School District. Throughout the course of my career, I have developed high standards for instruction, community building, collaboration and the development of systems. I believe that our students deserve a world class education that affords students and staff the opportunity to work together and reach their full potential. I believe in teamwork, mutual respect, and responsibility. It is my goal to work with the entire school community to build on recent success and reach new heights.

To our students, I cannot wait to meet you. Be ready to work harder, think deeper, and smile more.

To our staff, I cannot wait to get to know you, collaborate, and reach our goals together.

To our parents and community, I cannot wait to work with you, to ensure that each and every child reaches their full potential.

Over 50 years ago this was a great place for my family. Today, I want to make sure it is the best place for you and yours.

Please remember to follow us on our <u>school website, Twitter, Instagram, and Class Dojo.</u> The website can be found at <u>www.rcsdk12.org/34</u>. If you have any questions or thoughts, please do not hesitate to contact us. Go Tigers!

Sincerely,

Mr. Dave Passero Principal



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