July 5, 2018

Dear Abelard Reynolds Parents & Community Partners:

My name is Lisa Whitlow, the new Principal at Abelard Reynolds School #42. It is my privilege and honor to join the School #42 community. I'm very passionate about education and I look forward to partnering with you to provide our students with a demanding, engaging, and high-quality school experience. I believe that by working together, we can make sure our student's social, emotional, and academic needs are met.

Before joining Abelard Reynolds School #42 I served in a variety of teaching and leadership roles in the Rochester City School District. I began my career as a Speech Language Pathologist working with students with communication and language needs in grades Pre-K-6. As an administrator I worked as an Assistant Principal for thirteen years. My last three years I have been a principal at Kodak Park School #41. In the role of principal I was able to bring in multiple community partners, create a self-sufficient and successful Parent Teacher Organization and develop teams to address the social-emotional and academic needs of all our students through restorative practices and a Multi-Tiered System of Support.

I invite you to come to our **Orientation on August 30, 2018 from 1:00-3:00** to meet me and your child's teacher and hear about Abelard Reynolds School #42. I look forward to working with all of you and I am very excited for us to begin this journey together.

I am confident that together, as partners our Abelard Reynolds community, coupled with the talents of the teaching staff, the energy of the leadership team and my experience and knowledge of teaching, learning, and restorative practices, we will continue to support our student's development and achievement. It is challenging work, but work that as a team we can do to effect the change necessary to meet all student's needs and bring Abelard Reynolds School #42 to a high performing school. I am excited to work together and collaborate on behalf of our students and school community.

Respectfully,

Lisa Whitlow Principal