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Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome to Harwood Junior High School. Harwood offers a dynamic and engaging experience where students grow academically, socially, and personally as they prepare for senior high school. Junior high is truly what you make of it. I know this firsthand, because I was once a Harwood student myself. My experience here taught me that the effort, attitude, and involvement you choose directly shape how meaningful and successful these years become.

The level of success each student achieves is strongly influenced by the interest, cooperation, enthusiasm, and leadership they choose to demonstrate. Our faculty and administration are deeply committed to meeting individual academic, personal, and educational needs. To support this, Harwood offers a strong curriculum that balances core academic courses with a wide range of electives. These opportunities allow students to explore interests, discover strengths, and begin shaping their future paths.

Extra-curricular and co-curricular activities are an essential part of the Harwood experience. Students who find something they are interested in and choose to get involved build stronger connections, greater confidence, and lasting skills. Learning is most powerful when students are actively engaged both inside and outside the classroom.

Parents play a vital role in this journey. Involvement through the PTA strengthens our school community and directly supports student success. When families partner with the school, the impact on students is significant.

While many routines will feel familiar from elementary school, junior high brings increased independence and responsibility. Students will attend seven classes each day with multiple teachers and will have more opportunities to make decisions on their own. These experiences encourage maturity, critical thinking, and readiness for the future.

School counselors are available to support students and families with any questions or concerns. We are excited for a year of growth, involvement, and success at Harwood Junior High School. Go Blackhawks.

Sincerely,

Dr. Cameron Ramirez
Principal

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