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Assistant Principal Welcome Letter

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Dear Walter P. Carter Elementary/Middle School Families,

My name is Larry Strickland, and I am the new Middle School assistant principal. Although I am new to Walter P. Carter EMS, I have been an educator with the Baltimore City Public School System for almost two decades. In my career as an educator, I've worn many hats. I've been a self-contained special educator, math teacher/coach, science teacher, dean of students, and the list goes on. For the last 2 years, I had the privilege to serve as the Assistant Principal of the Stadium School which is a Baltimore City pure middle school. I have seen it all and experienced many different personalities and communities but through it all, my mission has remained the same.

It is my goal to ensure that my students and teachers achieve at their highest levels. During my time in the classroom, I was a student-centered teacher and as an administrator, that has not changed. My major task this year is to make certain that my teachers are delivering high quality instruction to every student and that they are holding each student to the highest standards of work and learning in the most supportive way.

As I stated, although I am new to Walter P, I am not new to education. The most vital lesson that I have learned is that the work of educating young people extends far beyond the classroom and school building. Because of this, it is my hope that we can work together to assist these young people in becoming our next generation of leaders. Please support us by making sure your student is prepared to face the challenges of each day by trying their best and that they are following Walter P. Carter's rules as it relates to dress code and cell phones.

We have a lot of great things planned for the middle school and have even greater people to deliver high quality instruction to your students. I look forward to meeting each of you in the coming weeks and am excited to see your student grow socially, emotionally, and academically as the year progresses.

Welcome to the 2024-2025 School Year!

Larry Strickland Assistant Principal