



Willows Intermediate School

Dear Willows Intermediate School Families:

Welcome back to a brand-new school year! I hope your summer was filled with fun, rest and quality time with family and friends. We are so excited to welcome our students back. We look forward to their energy, curiosity and smiles. This anticipation truly excites us as a staff.

A significant change is that you will have a new principal this year at Willows Intermediate School. My name is Durell Siplin, and I am delighted to be a part of Willows Intermediate School family and serve as your new principal. For the past eighteen years, I have worked in public education as a teacher and administrator. This is my first year in the Willows Unified School District and I look forward to using these collective experiences to serve our students and their families. I am married to my wife, Diana and we have three beautiful daughters, Sydney, Analia and Maya. As a parent, I always want what is best for my children. School plays a major role in our children's lives, therefore I will work tirelessly to ensure your children have the best possible experiences at Willows Intermediate School.

Over the last week, I have worked closely with Mr. Harris, Mr. Huntley, school staff, and district personnel to ensure a smooth transition. Whether your child is returning or joining us for the first time, we are honored to have your family as part of our school community. Our dedicated staff has been working hard to prepare for an exciting year of learning, growth and connection. This year, we are especially focused on building strong relationships, supporting each child's individual journey and continuing our tradition of academic excellence. I am committed to embracing the positive traditions and practices that are already in place at WIS, while working diligently to ensure success for the future.

We hope that you will find our website helpful and informative. As Principal, it is my goal to keep parents informed about the happenings at the school and allow parents meaningful participation in their student's education. Communication and partnership with our families are essential to student success here at WIS. Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions or concerns as we are here for you every step of the way.

I am honored and humbled to serve as the new principal for Willows Intermediate School and look forward to meeting our students, parents, and community members. Please feel free to contact me at (530) 934-6633 or at dsiplin@willowsunified.org. I am excited about all we will accomplish together for our children and look forward to celebrating our collective success this school year.

A few helpful reminders:

- Bell Schedule: 8:01 am - 2:35 pm
- First Day of School: August 7th
- 1st Collaboration Day: August 13th
 - Bell Schedule: 8:01 am - 1:30 pm
- Back to School Night: August 14th

Respectfully,
Durell Siplin
Principal
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