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Dear Bells Ferry Community,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and tell you how very excited I am to be joining the Bells Ferry community as your principal. I look forward to meeting and getting to know each of you as we begin the next school year. Bells Ferry Elementary has a strong reputation of supporting students' academic success while building their capacity as leaders. I know this does not happen without your dedication and support of our school and community. I look forward to being a part of the wonderful things that are already in place at Bells Ferry, and for joining with you to lead our school community toward future success.

We will have many opportunities to get to know each other, but I would like to share just a little bit about who I am personally and professionally. I grew up in a small community in Virginia, graduated from Virginia Tech, and received advanced degrees from Georgia State. I live in Marietta and have one child, Garrett, who is getting married in September to his lovely fiancé, Heather and my soon to be granddaughter, Lulu!!

Professionally, I have been an educator in the district for 25+ years where I taught a variety of grade levels, as well as, served in District level and local school leadership roles. Most recently, I was the principal of Rocky Mount Elementary for 9 years. It is important for you to know that I have a strong commitment and passion for ensuring your students are well prepared for their future, and I have a deep appreciation of the important role a student's family plays in that success. I welcome the opportunity to partner with you, and I look forward to our future success!!

I believe that being a school principal is a tremendous privilege and a tremendous responsibility at the same time I am truly honored to have the opportunity to serve this community as your Bells Ferry Elementary School principal.

Sincerely,

*Gail May*

*Principal*

*Bells Ferry Elementary*

*A Leader in Me School*

*~Empowering Students to Learn, Lead, and Leave a Legacy~*