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Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

My name is Elaine Hofmann and it is with great pride and honor that I am writing to you as your recently named Principal of Apex High School! I have had the privilege of spending my entire 24 year educational career here in Wake County starting as a Social Studies teacher at Millbrook High School, an Assistant Principal at Cary High School and a Principal at Salem Middle School. I look forward to continuing my career serving in the capacity as Principal at one of the most prestigious high schools in the state!

My husband, Rick and I have 3 sons between us, two of which actually graduated from Apex HS four years ago. The youngest, Sam will be a Junior at UNC Wilmington, Josh will be graduating from NC State next Spring and Jeff is a graduate of ECU and is now in the working world. Family is a core value of mine, and I am dedicated to working with all families to ensure each student finds their unique talents that will lead to their success, whether its post-secondary schooling, work or the military.

I find myself taking on this leadership position at an unprecedented time in Cougar history. As we move back into our brand new home, we will be presented with many awesome opportunities. We will have the opportunity to reaffirm the over 90 years of traditions that have come before us. At the same time, we will have the opportunity to create new traditions that will lead us into the decades to come. It's an exciting time to be a Cougar!

Please accept my invitation to meet with me or contact me at anytime. As soon as I get settled and have a better idea of my schedule for the remainder of August, I am going to be hosting parent meet and greets. I will be scheduling meet and greets with students during the first few weeks of school as well. Many of you I know already through our time together at Salem Middle School, so I am thrilled to be able to continue this educational journey with you through the high school years. It is important to me that I hear and understand the hopes and expectations you have for high school. Please take a few minutes to complete this short Google Form.

I am eager to start this new school year with you and the entire Apex Community! It will be a year full of changes and newness but I promise that the past commitments to excellent instruction, academic rigor, strong student engagement in the areas of the Arts, Athletics, Technology and extra-curriculars will continue to be our primary focus. The vision for Apex High which states that all students will be empowered to reach their PEAK potential will be the foundation for all we do in this coming year as well as into our future.

With warmest regards and highest enthusiasm, Elaine Hofmann - Principal of Apex High School