



**Fred A Olds Elementary School**  
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**WAKE COUNTY**  
**PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM**

Greetings Fred A. Olds Families,

It is with great honor that I share this introduction letter with you today. On Tuesday, March 2nd, the WCPSS School Board approved my appointment as the new principal of Fred A. Olds Elementary School. I would first like to thank Dr. MaryAnne Wheeler for her 24 years of service to the Olds community. Her dedication to this community has set a precedent for leadership as we move forward. I am also excited to collaborate with Dr. Diann Kearney to ensure we have a successful transition.

As I move into this position, please know that my top priority is to ensure all students' health and safety for the remainder of the school year. My goal is to create a warm and welcoming "schoolhouse" where all students feel the success of a challenging educational experience. While at Olds, all students will have the opportunity to engage in rigorous learning, whether in-person or in the virtual setting. I am also ready to listen and learn with all stakeholders about the Olds community.

I am a proud product of the Wake County Public School System. In 2008, I received an undergraduate degree from Appalachian State University and a master's degree from Gardner Webb University in 2014. I began my educational career teaching high school history and coaching on the baseball diamond. After teaching in the classroom for six years, I transitioned to a leadership position at Southeast Raleigh Magnet High School, serving as an assistant principal. For the last six years, I have been the proud assistant principal of Hunter GT/AIG Magnet Elementary School. In 2019, I spent a summer working at Olds for WCPSS reading camp.

My wife and I live in Raleigh with our sweet golden retriever, Hattie. We enjoy spending time with our family and friends and traveling whenever possible.

During this process, I have been asked several times, "Why Olds?" and the answer is simple: the community. The Olds community is tight-knit, which is evident from the first time you walk into the building. We will continue a "family first" approach as we take care of each other, especially after a year unlike any other.

We will work together to create a clear vision for the school, ensuring each student becomes a true 21st-century learner.

I will also follow the WCPSS mission to graduate students who are collaborative, creative, effective communicators, and critical thinkers. Our focus will be consistent - every student, each day!

Over the next few weeks, I look forward to sharing more information about myself and seeking parent feedback through many collaborative sessions. These opportunities will allow me to connect with families and community members, learn more about our school, and give all stakeholders an avenue to provide feedback. Despite any challenges, we will find safe and creative ways to learn more about each other.

I look forward to connecting with you as our students grow together at Olds!

Sincerely,

*Robert "Jared" Moore*

