

The Caniff Path



Special points of interest:

- We have recently renovated the boys bathroom
- Fire Freddy has been waving hello to our Hamtramck community this summer
- We have Curriculum Night on Thursday, September 6th from 4:00-6:00, come meet the teachers
- Parent Portal— come by the office to sign up for our Parent Portal on MiStar for grades and emailing staff
- Tutoring starts on Monday, September 24th for support in reading
- Interested in a Chess Club for your child? Stop by the office
- We are looking for Caniff children interested in learning about lego robotics, is so, please see the office
- Breakfast starts at 8:00 each morning

Welcome Back to School- 8:30-3:35 pm

I hope all of you had an enjoyable summer! We have been very busy as a school to help create a culture that is positive and ready to learn in a safe environment. The theme we have this year is, "The Caniff Path." As many know, we do a monthly theme of character education. In the month of September, students will study, "effort." What is effort and how does it apply to students? It can vary between the ages of kindergarten through 8th grade but one

thing is certain, giving an attempt at something can be applied at any age, child or adult. Additionally, students will read the Caniff Pledge and our idiom of the day. Most importantly, we discuss as a school "The Caniff Path." Are students on the correct path? If they are not, what is stopping them. Is it difficult to stay on the Caniff Path? Going to school is a full time job for our children and it is not always easy but we strive as a staff to teach a challenging curriculum but more

importantly, to work well with others in a diverse setting. 32 countries make up the community of Hamtramck. This makes Caniff Liberty Academy one of the most important schools in our area. We must be able to learn skills of working together because it can bring out the best in all of us, especially in creativity. No matter the gender, no matter the religion, the socio economics, or the place a person was born, all students are special and recognized that anyone can make



Come Meet Some New Staff

With over 35 staff members, we have nearly 400 years educational experience at Caniff Liberty Academy. Some of the fresh faces are Melissa Cooke-Pitcher, who has many years experience with lower elementary. She will be our new kindergarten teacher. Ms. Hussein is our 2nd grade teacher. She lives within the Hamtramck community and has years of experience within the home school environment. Ms.

Barba will be teaching social studies for our middle school students. She has experience in diversity and has a passion for teaching history. Mr. Deron Ferrell is our English as a Second Language Coach for Caniff Liberty Academy. He will be working with helping writing skills. Ms. Rhonda Van Kampen is our 5th grade teacher. She comes with years of experience and a passion to see students grow in a nurturing culture. Ms. Haqqe is our parapro who lives in Hamtramck and will be focusing on small groups.

