



Patrick Carlove, Middle School Principal

Dear Family,

Normally, when we think of middle school we let out a groan or sigh and remember our own experience. Our middle school years were key years to becoming the adults we are today. These three short years are full of spiritual, academic, emotional and social changes. It takes prayer, love, dedication and understanding to help these students and their families have positive middle school experiences.

Prince of Peace Christian School desires to make the middle school experience a great one. We have a strong Christian staff dedicated to the middle school students and their families. We understand that middle school is not only about getting a great education, but it's also about learning life skills. We have created a program that allows a diverse group of students to come together in a Christian atmosphere to grow and learn.

Our first desire is to make sure that all of our students understand Christ's love and forgiveness. That love and forgiveness resulted in His death and resurrection and gives us eternal life through our belief in Christ. That wonderful gift is the driving force for the words we use and the actions we show. Each teacher is passionate about helping students understand this gift and committed to teaching students how to share it.

In the classroom, students are held to high academic standards. We not only want our students to be ready for the following year of school, but also to learn the skills that will help make life easier. We incorporate study skills and organization into the core classes, and we stay current on changes and concepts in the world of education. Understanding the changes made to the SAT in 2006, we have not only maintained our strong emphasis on writing, but we have also aligned vocabulary and grammar in each middle school grade and have worked extensively with the high school teachers to create a seamless curriculum in each discipline. We offer honors classes in math, grammar and literature. These classes give students who excel an opportunity to use their gifts and further develop their skills.

Middle school is also about having fun. Middle school students learn how to make good choices and how to conduct themselves in various situations. Throughout the year, we have socials, special dress days, special lunch days and opportunities for our students to act like middle school students. We also bring in special speakers with presentations dealing with current topics like bullying and abstinence. Most importantly, we allow our students to learn in an atmosphere where they can begin learning responsibility and freedom to make choices within a Christian support network. It is often said that kids are kids. This is true; however, we desire to teach our students how to live positive Christian lives.