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Dear SciTech Families:

On behalf of the faculty and staff at Pittsburgh Science & Technology Academy (SciTech), I wanted to take a moment to welcome new and returning families to the 2023-2024 school year. Along with faculty and staff, our scholars and families are the most important members of our school community. I look forward to a year of communication and collaboration to create a highly successful and memorable year of learning and growth for each scholar.

A dynamic group of SciTech administrators, educators, and parents worked together to analyze data around culture, systems, and instruction to create a School Improvement Plan (SIP) that commits to equipping faculty and staff to address the needs of all scholars at SciTech. Our district's focus on **Equity and Excellence in Teaching and Learning** has helped guide and frame our work for the new school year. We are committed to providing a socially just learning environment that embraces the values of equity and high-quality teaching and curricula that allow students to feel safe, seen, heard, and valued.

Through feedback from scholars, families, and staff, many updates to policy center around this focus to provide access for all to rigorous grade-level instruction, equitable grading, culture and a safe learning environment. Please take some time to review these policies and personally reflect on the goals shared in this packet.

Thank you for your support as we continue this journey together. I encourage you to utilize our school website to access resources and receive the latest school information. We will keep everyone updated through email, so please join our email list. Enjoy the final few weeks of your summer vacation and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Warm regards,

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Proud Principal of SciTech

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