



**Brittani Irvin, Principal**  
Oliver H. Perry

Dear O.H. Perry Families and Students,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! We are thrilled to welcome our new and returning students to the upcoming year at Oliver H. Perry. This school year marks my 8th year as principal, and I am dedicated to our school's continuous growth and progress. We are also excited to welcome new teachers and support team members to our school community this year, all of whom are high-quality, passionate educators. Our school is a special place!

This year, we will continue our design model of Inquiry-Based Teaching and Learning. Students will explore academic content by posing, investigating, and answering questions. We are excited to launch MyPowerHub PowerSchool, our new online grade book portal. Families will have real-time access to their child's assignment grades through an app on their phone or from their computer. Teachers will update grades, always informing you about your child's progress.

We also go phone-free in our classrooms to amp up our learning game and crush those academic goals! No phones, no distractions – just pure focus and success. Oliver H. Perry will use the Yondr program, which provides secure phone pouches. Upon entering the building, students will place their phones and other accessories (smartwatches and wireless headphones) in their individually assigned Yondr pouch. All phones will remain in the pouch until they are unlocked upon exiting the building. If a student intentionally damages their Yondr pouch or is unwilling to place their phone or accessories in it, discipline can be issued per the Student Code of Conduct.

Our Say Yes Family Support Specialist will continue to provide wraparound services to families. Dean McMillion and Dean Furr will continue student support, PBIS implementation, and the development of our students' social-emotional learning.

Ms. Laird will continue as Community, College, and Career Center Coordinator in the Eagle's Nest. We will continue working with community partners and increasing the Eagle's Nest use for all students and families.

We are eagerly looking forward to seeing you and your children at our Meet and Greet on Friday, August 16th, from 4:00-6:00 pm. This event is a great opportunity for you to meet our staff and other families. We also encourage you to consider signing up as a parent advisory committee member, as your involvement can make a positive difference in our school community.

With Great Respect,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Blr', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Brittani Irvin  
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