

## PRESS RELEASE

## **Delmar School District**



Dear Delmar Students, Parents, Staff and Community,

It is with great pleasure that I introduce myself to you as the new principal of Delmar High School. My name is Bill Rickard and it is with excitement and anticipation that I look forward to joining a school with the rich traditions and academic excellence that Delmar High School represents.

My wife, Davonna, and I have been married for over 22 wonderful years and have two amazing children.

Sam is 17 years old, a high school junior and is involved in football, swimming and track. Elura is 11 years old, is in 6<sup>th</sup> grade, and is a voracious reader, Girl Scout and soccer player. My wife is also an educator, and has worked as a kindergarten teacher, an elementary guidance counselor and elementary principal.

I have had a fantastic journey through the past 20 years in education. I began my career as a science teacher at South Western and Dover Area school districts in York County, PA. In my first 13 years of education, I taught Earth & Space Science, General Science, Physical Sciences, Environmental Science, Biology and Biology 2 at all grades levels from 9 through 12. I served 4 years as an assistant principal and the last 3 years as the principal at Dover Area High School. I truly believe in a quality education for all students. I take very seriously that you have entrusted your sons and daughters to my care and you can expect that I will give my best each and every day. It will be my mission to always look for valuable experiences and quality opportunities that will shape the future of our students. I will seek to employ the most effective, research-based approaches to educate our students and ensure they are college and career ready. "Student first" decision-making will be of the utmost importance. To accomplish this, I will work hard to maintain and grow outstanding teachers, programs and a learning environment that provides every student with a sense of belonging while helping students to grow academically, emotionally and socially. I will do all I can to help our students reach their goals and dreams.

I am very excited to be able to serve the community as the new high school principal and thank you for this fantastic opportunity!

Bill Rickard Principal, Delmar High School

