

Dear Stallion Families,

It is my great pleasure to be your principal in the coming year! I look forward to meeting students, parents, and staff in the coming weeks and over the course of the school year. If you were unable to attend the Meet and Greet on July 14<sup>th</sup>, I would like to share a little about me. I graduated from Moon Valley High School in Phoenix after moving from Rockford, IL. I then earned my Bachelor of the Arts in Secondary Education from Arizona State University. I also hold a Masters in Elementary Education from Northern Arizona University and Masters of Education in Administrative Leadership and Supervision from ASU.

I joined Deer Valley Unified School District in 2000, teaching language arts at Deer Valley Middle School for 7 of my 10 years in the classroom. In 2007, I was awarded DVUSD Teacher of the Year Award (the same year Mrs. Wilber had that honor). The past 4 years, I have served Deer Valley as an assistant principal at Anthem School with the last 2 years serving both Anthem and Gavilan Peak Schools. When I'm not busy planning school events or leading professional development, I can be found watching my kids play soccer, or playing softball myself! My two children and I also enjoy going to the movies, catching a Diamondbacks game, or traveling to the beaches of California.

Throughout the school year, you will be able to obtain up-to-date information about school news and events via our school website, teacher websites, e-mails and monthly newsletters (posted on our school website). I believe communication is the key to our success! Please attend our annual Ice Cream Social on Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. While enjoying ice cream and meeting your teachers and Mrs. Wilber and I, you will be able to check bus route information, purchase lunch tickets, join our fabulous PTSA, sign up for Community Schools before and after school program, and see the campus.

This year you can expect a continued focus on a rigorous, challenging curriculum, delivery of relevant instruction as we shift to the Common Core Standards district-wide, and integration of technology in teaching *and* learning! We will be keeping the momentum that has distinguished Stetson Hills as an Excelling school for 5 years and recognized it as an A+ School of Excellence!

Again, please join us August 11<sup>th</sup> to kick off the year! I am eager to meet all of our students and families!

Sincerely,

Amy Jorgensen  
Principal of Stetson Hills

Jamie Wilber  
Assistant Principal of Stetson Hills