Dear Woodlawn Middle School Community:

I am excited to be joining all of you as the Principal of Woodlawn Middle School for the 2025-2026 school year. I would first like to acknowledge the dedication and accomplishments of Ms. Raquel Brown and the teachers and leadership team that have been serving the community. Woodlawn Middle School has established a track record of success that I hope to build upon as we work together.

With twenty-four years of experience in the educational arena, I have had the great fortune of serving at all levels of school leadership. I am excited to be returning to the middle school level. I began my leadership journey as Principal of Woodlawn High School and have served at McKinley High School, Broadmoor Middle School and most recently at Wildwood Elementary School. I was blessed to be named the East Baton Rouge Parish School System Elementary Principal of the Year for the 2023-2024 school year. Prior to beginning a career in education, I served in the United States Army and participated in Operations Desert Shield and Storm. My wife, Carla Edwards, is the Principal at Parkview Elementary School and has served the Parkview Elementary community for her entire career in education.

I have met with the faculty and staff of Woodlawn Middle School and I am very impressed by their dedication and professionalism. It is evident that each member of the faculty cares about students and one another. I am encouraged, energized and excited to become part of such a vibrant learning community.

I will soon be a presence on the campus of Woodlawn Middle School. I will be working collaboratively with Ms. Brown to ensure a productive and seamless transition. I look forward to meeting many of you in the near future. I invite you to reach out to me and share your ideas and thoughts regarding the continued success of our school. I am eager to listen and learn as we work together.

I am grateful for this opportunity to join all of you as Principal of Woodlawn Middle School and build upon our successes while preparing for the future.

Very sincerely, I remain,

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