Welcome to Northwest Elementary
“Home of the Nighthawks”

Greetings Parents,

My name is Bryan Quigley and I am the extremely proud principal of Northwest Elementary. I am writing you to tell you how excited we are that you have selected Northwest to be your child’s school. Northwest Elementary is an educational leader in Hillsborough County for more than 30 years. Northwest has been an “A” as graded by the State of Florida for 20 Consecutive Years!!! In fact, Northwest is one of only two schools in all of Hillsborough County (that’s counting more than 240 Elementary, middle and high schools) that has been an “A” school for 20 consecutive years. We are very proud of the students, parents and teachers that have worked collaboratively over those 20 years to achieve such an accomplished distinction. It is that collaboration that will guarantee that regardless of which mode of learning (brick-n-mortar or eLearning) your child participates in at Northwest, your child will receive a great education. We stand with you in these unique times to do what is best for you child and our Northwest families.

Parents your child’s safety and security is our highest priority. Whether it is ensuring safety measures are in place to screen the individuals entering campus and the adults that volunteer at Northwest or that the safety and sanitation procedures we implement as a result of Covid 19, your child will be safe at Northwest. Having been at Northwest for the last 15 years, we have procedures and safe guards in place to ensure the safety of every child, parent or staff member. Please know that we as a school and as a district will continue to be responsive to the needs of our community, and will keep our families apprised of any changes. If you ever have any questions please call Northwest, we are here to help you and your family.

Last week, the Superintendent Davis sent out a Declaration of Intent. Please take a moment and complete the declaration of intent. Completing the declaration for the new school year now will enable us to allocate the correct amount of staff for each option. Knowing how many students will be returning to the building for classes has an impact on how we set up classes and the how we set up the building. Please take a moment and complete the declaration of intent.

Again, we are thrilled that your child is going to be a Northwest Nighthawk! To help you prepare for the 2020-21 school year I have provided you with the essential information that you need to start planning ahead. Please mark your calendar with the dates, times and events below.
**Teacher Assignments**

Every child will receive a post card from Northwest on or around August 1. The post card will have a link where families can access their child’s homeroom teacher. In addition, the link will give you access to our welcome letter, school map, arrival and dismissal procedures, supply lists and transportation/bus routes, uniform policy and procedures, along with information about our amazing NW PTA. If you have any questions about any of these items you are always welcome to call Northwest 975-7315.

**Open House**

Northwest’s Open House is on Tuesday, August 4, 2020
4:30–5:00 p.m. –Orientation for Parents and Families New to Northwest Elementary
5:00–5:40 p.m. –First Teacher Presentation for Last Names A–E
5:50–6:30 p.m. – Second Teacher Presentation for Last Names F–Z or parents with multiple children

**Students First Day**

We are so excited to have our students back! The first day of school is Monday, August 10, 2020.

**Bell Schedules:**

7:10 a.m. Student Drop-off begins in the carline (Monday-Friday)
7:40 a.m. School starts and students must be in their classroom
12:55 p.m. Dismissal Begins (Mondays ONLY)
1:55 p.m. Dismissal Begins (Tuesday-Friday)

Please take a moment and complete the Declaration of Intent form. Northwest is a great school and we look forward to you and your family joining our Northwest family!

Bryan Quigley
Principal Northwest Elementary
Meet Your Northwest Elementary Administrators

Northwest Principal Bryan Quigley

Bryan Quigley grew up in Miami and graduated from South Dade High School. He left the Miami area to attend and later graduated from the University of South Florida with a degree in Elementary Education. After graduation, Mr. Quigley began his teaching career in Hillsborough County at Lomax Sixth Grade Center in January of 1997. All Sixth Grade Centers closed in Hillsborough County that year causing Mr. Quigley to transfer to Palm River Elementary. Over the next decade, Mr. Quigley taught grades 3-5 at Palm River, River Hills and Temple Terrace Elementary. In the spring of 2005, Mr. Quigley graduated from Nova Southeastern University with a Masters in Educational Leadership. Bryan Quigley was appointed the Assistant Principal of Northwest Elementary in 2006. Six years later Mr. Quigley was appointed the Principal of Northwest Elementary. Mr. Quigley has been an educator with Hillsborough County Schools for 23 years and he has been a part of the Northwest family and community for nearly 15 years. Bryan is married to his wife Denise, and they have 3 school aged sons (Colin, Dillon and Jacob).
Assistant Principal Christine Cheng

Mrs. Cheng was born in Tampa, FL where she graduated from King High School. She attended HCC and received a BA from USF in *Interpreting for the Deaf* in 2000. In 2002, she received a Master's Degree in *Elementary Education*. She spent her first year teaching at Robles Elementary and transferred to Northwest Elementary where she served as a third grade teacher for 4 years. In 2006, she became the Reading Coach at Northwest as well as Lake Magdalene Elementary. In 2007, she received her Master’s Degree in *Educational Leadership* and in February 2012, she became the Assistant Principal at Northwest. Mrs. Cheng is married with two sons, Tai and John.