

# Pojoaque Valley Middle School

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*Kindness Rules !!*

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome parents/guardians and students to the 2016-2017 school year here at Pojoaque Middle School. This year we continue to strive forth to improve student achievement and school culture. At the middle school we continue to incorporate the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) in the area of Mathematics and Language Arts GLAD strategies for cooperative learning and social skills.

Grades will be based upon actual evidence of what students know and are able to connect with the CCSS. All students will comply with the school wide discipline policy.

Cell phones are to be kept in backpacks/lockers during the school day between 7:30AM -2:50PM. All students will comply with the PRIDE matrix.

Students are responsible for each textbook that is issued to them and if lost or damaged students will be responsible for the cost to replace the book(s) up to \$80.00.

I am a 1998 graduate of New Mexico Highlands University, with a bachelors in Elementary Education K-8, with an endorsement in Social Studies. This is my eighteenth year of teaching and I have been with the Pojoaque Valley School district for the past 16 years. This past summer I attended a 6-day training GLAD Strategies for social and cooperative learning. I am looking forward to implementing these strategies for student learning.

I have been the Natural Helpers sponsor for the past 3 years and each year I continue to see the program grow working with our young leaders. I look forward to working with our class 2021 for 2016-17.

I look forward to working with your child and welcome you into my classroom at any time. If you should have any questions/concerns please feel free to e-mail me at [lrp@pvs.k12.nm.us](mailto:lrp@pvs.k12.nm.us).

Sincerely,

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