



Milford Brook School

20 Global Terrace, Manalapan, NJ 07726
3801

(732) 786-2780
Fax (732) 786-2790 Fax

John J. Marciante Jr., Ph.D.
Superintendent
jmarciante@mersnj.us

Jodi Pepchinski
Principal
jpepchinski@mersnj.us

Mitch Kivor
Assistant Principal
mkivor@mers.nj.us

May 5, 2021

Dear Milford Brook Families,

It is with great pride and excitement that I write this letter of introduction to you as the newly appointed principal of Milford Brook School for the 2021-2022 school year. I am looking forward to working closely with the students, staff, parents, and community members to continue to make Milford Brook a special place where learning and growing happens day by day.

This transition is a homecoming for me, since I myself was once a student at Milford Brook School. I have many fond memories of walking through the hallways as a student and learning so much from my favorite teachers. I am eager to create this same enthusiasm and love of learning for all our Milford Brook students as their principal.

I have been fortunate enough to have spent my entire twenty-year educational career here in the Manalapan-Englishtown Regional School District. I began teaching first grade at Taylor Mills School, where I planned and used many instructional strategies in my inclusive classroom. I began my administrative journey at the John I. Dawes Early Learning Center as the assistant principal. For the last eight years, I have assisted in the management of multiple arrivals and dismissals as well as guided students, staff and parents through many academic milestones. I have also taken on the roles of General Music Supervisor, Interim Principal for the ELC as well as the English Language Arts Supervisor for Grades K-2. Through these supervisory positions, I have been able to develop curriculum for a wide range of student learners and train staff members to successfully implement these programs.

I believe in the importance of educating the whole child. Each student here at Milford Brook School should be given opportunities and experiences that will help them to grow academically, socially and emotionally. My goal is to ensure that every child is able to learn and grow in a safe learning environment.

As your new principal for the upcoming school year, it is extremely important to me that the home school connection continues to be promoted here at Milford Brook School. My door is always open, and I welcome your thoughts and ideas. Please feel free to call or email me to discuss any concerns you might have about the upcoming school year. I look forward to collaborating and supporting our students together. I am beyond thrilled to begin an amazing school year at Milford Brook School with all of you!

Sincerely,
Melissa Tice
mtice@mersnj.us

