

From the Executive Director's Desk



It is not beyond our power to create a world in which all children have access to a good education.

— Nelson Mandela —

AZ QUOTES

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Valued Stakeholders,

We are thrilled to welcome you back to an exciting new school year at Promise Academy! As we embark on the journey of the 2023-2024 academic year, it is with great anticipation and enthusiasm that we invite you to be a part of our vision for excellence and innovation in education.

At Promise Academy Charter Schools, our aspiration is to not just meet, but to exceed the standards of educational excellence. We are committed to becoming ***THE model of excellence of innovation in education***. We are unwavering in our commitment to fostering a holistic educational environment that nurtures the mind, body, and spirit of every child. We believe that education is not merely about imparting knowledge, but about shaping compassionate and capable world-ready leaders.



Through the combined efforts of our dedicated educators, diligent students, supportive parents,

and engaged stakeholders, we are confident that we can turn our vision into reality. Together, we will create an environment where academic achievement goes hand in hand with personal growth and social responsibility.

We encourage you to stay engaged with us throughout the year, attending events, participating in discussions, and partnering in your child's educational journey. Your support is invaluable as we work hand in hand to mold the future leaders of our world.

Once again, welcome back to Promise Academy Charter Schools! Let's embark on this journey of excellence, innovation, and learning together. Here's to a remarkable year ahead!

Warm regards,

Patrick Washington, Ed.D.
Executive Director

SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT

A heartfelt shout-out goes to our incredible Promise Academy Hollywood family for achieving Level 5 for two consecutive years! This accomplishment stands as a significant milestone, and I extend my warmest congratulations to Dr. Malone, Mrs. Brown, their outstanding leadership team, our diligent scholars, devoted parents, and most importantly, our hardworking and dedicated educators, interventionists, and every individual who contributed to making this achievement a reality!



While Promise Academy Spring Hill currently holds a Level 3 status, our latest data analysis reveals progress in both reading and math. Although it might not be quite enough to secure another Level 5, let's take pride in being a Level 4 network! This is just the initial step on our journey, and we're setting our sights even higher. Our aim is for a greater number of our scholars to excel at or surpass grade-level expectations. Amidst these accomplishments, we will wholeheartedly celebrate each victory, shining moments, and your unwavering dedication to excellence. Remember, we are two distinct schools, but we are united as ONE PROMISE!!

Student achievement is the District's highest priority. In 3rd grade, students are no longer "learning to read" but they begin "reading to learn." If students are not reading on grade level by the time they begin 3rd grade, half of the curriculum they will be taught for the remainder of their school years will be beyond their understanding. **The Literacy Commitment** is a collaborative effort between schools, parents, and community to ensure our students reach reading readiness before grade 3.

Tennessee Learning Loss Remediation and Student Acceleration Act

Starting in the 2022-23 school year, 3rd-grade students must score "met expectations" or "exceeded expectations" on TCAP's ELA portion. If students score "approaching expectations" or "below expectations" they will need to attend a learning loss bridge camp and, if required, participate in tutoring in 4th grade.

(NEW) Starting in the 2023-24 school year, all 4th graders must show adequate growth on the TCAP's ELA section or they will be retained.

CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT 3RD GRADE LITERACY COMMITMENT.

September 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 P3 Parent Breakfast 901 Day/Spirit Shirt Day	2
3	4 Labor Day No School	5	6 Progress Reports	7 Progress Reports 1/2 dismissal for students Data Day from 12:00 - 4:00	8 Grandparents Luncheon	9
10 Patriot Day Grandparents Day	11	12 Student Council Meeting	13	14 Memphis Tiger Game 6:30pm Content Learning Lab 3:30-5:30	15 Rosh Hashanah	16 Rosh Hashanah
17 Rosh Hashanah	18 SH Network Walkthrough	19 iMoms 8:30	20 Progress Reports	21 Progress Reports	22 Taste of Promise Scholar and Staff Nominations due Promise Peaks/Gems (2nd Grade)	23
24 Yom Kippur	25 Yom Kippur	26	27	28 Content Learning Lab 3:30-5:30	29 Ashes/Community Meeting End of Q1-Grades due	30

Check out the September calendar for all of our events coming up this month! We will kick off the month with our P3 Parent Breakfast! We are excited to see what September brings!

901 Day

On September 1, 2023 our schools will celebrate 901 Day. We ask that students wear Memphis gear to celebrate and honor our great city!





Labor Day

NO SCHOOL



Dr. Patrick Washington