



# School District 149

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Dear Dolton School District 149 Community:

Welcome back to the 2022-23 school year! My name is Dr. Maureen White and I am your new Superintendent. This year begins my 22nd year as a District Office Administrator and I am excited to start it in District 149! I am grateful for our Board of Education who has entrusted me to take the district to its next level of higher student achievement. In fact, our school year 2022-23 theme is: **Level UP!** So, get ready for the ride, all the way up!

What you should know about me is I am a collaborative leader who values diversity, equity and inclusion. You can expect me to work hard to build meaningful and trusting relationships, through communication and transparency, that will include all of our school community. My hope is that you will all take this exciting journey with me to ensure our students have a nurturing, safe, and orderly environment to help each child reach their highest level of performance. I anticipate your appreciation for our principals, teachers and staff who are eager, smart and more than capable of getting our students college and career ready.

Here are a few important dates you should save as we get closer to an awesome year of learning and fun:

- **August 11, 2022** from 10:00AM to 2:00PM – New student registration. (After August 11th, registration will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment only)
- **August 20, 2022** from 11:00AM to 3:00PM – Lotta Palooza Back-to-School Carnival at Caroline Sibley School, 1550 Sibley Blvd. in Calumet City. We will have food, filled backpacks, games, raffles and lots of fun!
- **August 26, 2022** from 8:30AM-3:00PM – Teacher Institute Day (no students)
- **August 29, 2022** – Students return for a **half-day** (9:00AM-12:00PM for elementary & 8:20AM-11:20AM for middle school)

We will open the school year on the normal schedule of five full days of instruction in all of our schools. Please make sure your child returns to school on the first day with their school-assigned Chromebook. I look forward to the important work we will do to serve our students and families!

To Excellence in Education,

Dr. Maureen M. White  
Superintendent of Schools