

# North Haledon Public Schools

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Dear High Mountain Middle School Community,

Welcome to the 2023-2024 academic school year at High Mountain Middle School. I am humbled, honored, and excited to introduce myself as your next High Mountain Principal. The welcoming spirit of the faculty, support staff, and community at High Mountain Middle School demonstrates that this is a special place. Together, we will continue to cultivate a dynamic learning environment for our students that centers on educating the whole student and fostering a passion for learning.

I come to the High Mountain Community from Glen Rock Public Schools where I served as a Physical Education & Health Teacher and Assistant Principal of Glen Rock Middle School. I obtained my undergraduate degree from Springfield College and completed my master's degree in Educational Leadership at the University of Scranton. In my time at Glen Rock I served in roles as a teacher, coach, anti-bullying specialist, administrator, 504 coordinator, district anti-bullying coordinator and more. I am deeply excited to bring what I have learned in my educational experiences to High Mountain. I will strive each day to fulfill the mission of North Haledon Public Schools by continuing to develop an adaptive and challenging learning environment that meets the needs of our students.

I look forward to working with the current administration to ensure a smooth transition and engaging in community events to meet students, parents, and staff as we approach the school year. Thank you for the wonderful welcome and I look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Escalante

High Mountain Middle School Principal