I am so excited for another amazing year at Diamond Ridge! I feel so privileged to serve this amazing school and community. Thank you for all the support that you provide for your students, as well as our teachers and staff! Providing a top tier education for our students is a job that requires a combined group effort from students, parents and school staff. Together, we have a tremendous opportunity to help students grow and achieve, and I know we will do great things.

As we prepare for another school year, I would like to remind students and parents of a few important items. Please consider the following as we return to the school:

- Safety of our students, staff and patrons will continue to remain a top priority at Diamond Ridge Elementary! (Please see our Diamond Ridge <u>Mitigating Measures for COVID-19</u> <u>2021-2022</u> document published on the school website) We will continue to work hard, with your cooperation, to ensure student, staff and patron safety throughout the school year.
- The mental health and safety of our students, families, faculty and staff will be at the forefront of our practice as we come back to school. If we can be of assistance in any way to support your family, please let us know.
- It is extremely important for parents/guardians to follow our <u>Pick-up and Drop-off Procedures</u>. Again, for the safety of our students and patrons, the faculty parking lot is NOT for student drop-off and pick-up. Please use the drop-off/pick-up procedures (detailed on the purple form with registration materials) if your student(s) are coming to school in a vehicle. You may park in the lot only if you are coming into the school on official business. There is plenty of parking on the street to the west of the school (Laurel Canyon Drive) where parents can park and walk to the school to meet their students. THANK YOU for your cooperation!
- We will continue to communicate with parents/guardians through email as our primary method of communication. If your contact information changes, please provide updates to the school office. We want to be able to attend to the needs of our families while remaining "Fluid and Flexible", adapting to and communicating about any important information/changes.

Thank you for putting your trust in our school to care for and educate the most important little people in your lives! I have a son who just turned 21, I have a daughter in highschool who just got her driver's license and my youngest daughter is starting kindergarten on Monday. As a parent myself, I know how many of you are feeling as we start another uncertain school year. I consider it an honor to work with your students and I look forward to partnering with you to help them succeed. Thank You!

Sincerely,
Andy Carbaugh
Principal, Diamond Ridge Elementary