



Cloonan Middle School

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Dear Parents / Guardians:

We write to share our plans to continue your children's education following the untimely death of Mr. Sheridan. Our first commitment is to maintain high quality, rigorous instruction for all students. The second is to maintain as familiar an environment as is reasonably possible. To support these goals Mr. Sheridan's classes will be split between Mr. Collarini and Mrs. Seyler.

Mr. Collarini, the Gold House eighth grade Math Teacher, will take over Algebra instruction for both houses in his current classroom. Mr. Collarini and Mr. Sheridan were long time friends and colleagues who already collaborated closely on Algebra instruction. Mrs. Seyler, currently the Math Academic Enrichment Teacher will take the other half of Mr. Sheridan's and Mr. Collarini's math classes. She will take over Mr. Sheridan's old room. Mrs. Seyler is a familiar figure to many of these students, having been their sixth grade math teacher. In addition, Mr. Sarkar, a long-term substitute with an engineering background, will take over Math Academic Enrichment classes for grades six and seven. He will continue in this position until we are able to hire a certified math teacher.

It is our profound belief that this plan will maintain the quality educational experience for all of our students. Although Mr. Sheridan can never be replaced, the work of these teachers is the best means of honoring his legacy.

Please know how much we appreciate your caring and support as we have dealt with the events of the past many days. You have helped all of us to reaffirm our commitment to the future, our children.

Sincerely,

David Rudolph

Laureen Mody

David Tate