Dear Future and Fellow Wolves,

As a principal who has had the unique journey of having begun my teaching career at Westside, I am passionate about continuing to build upon the strong rapport among our Wolf Pack staff and students and continue our history of academic excellence and premiere academic programming entrenched in the dean and house model. I am committed to upholding a culture of academic excellence where our vision is to unlock the potential of all students through connecting them to learning opportunities that match their interests. Our robust pathway programming allows for thirteen different options to cultivate 21st century skills and meet the demand for industry trends. I am proud that these pathway opportunities are available for both zoned and magnet students through Westside's S.T.E.A.M and Futures Academy of Health Sciences magnet programs:

Accounting Animation Audio Video Production Business Management BREAL Culinary Arts Computer Science Digital Photography Graphic Design and Illustration Engineering Health Science Legal Studies Technical Theatre

At Westside, we believe personalized support is a key component to student success and to that end, each student is assigned a dean to work with throughout their time here. It is important to me that our families and students have a positive relationship with their respective dean, as our dean system is the infrastructure through which we are able to meet the needs of the whole child.

We look forward to having your family join our Wolf Pack family and collaborating with you throughout your student's Westside experience.

Seize the Day and Go Wolves! Keri Wittpenn Principal <u>kwittpen@houstonisd.org</u> 281-920-8000