

## **JAMES MADISON HIGH SCHOOL**

LEADING THROUGH EXCELLENCE AND EFFICIENCY



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## **Dear Parents and Students,**



Greetings Marlin Parents and Students,

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year! I hope everyone had a safe and relaxing summer break. My name is Vandana Grover, and I am eager to meet you all. I relocated to the Houston area ten years ago from India and soon after, became a Madison Marlin. I am a part of the Science team at Madison, teaching Physics for the fifth consecutive year. I completed my master's in physics and Bachelor of Education from India. I am looking forward to an exciting year and I am delighted to have your child in my class.

Physics is an engaging course where students will learn about nature and natural phenomenon around us. Students will be building on pre-existing knowledge with various new concepts and terminologies. This year we will have some fun and challenging tasks to help us reach our goals. We are going to work, play, experiment, learn hard and have fun in the process. I have high expectations for all of my students, and I am committed to be assisting them with the expectations required of the course.

The format of our Science class will be highly structured and will provide students with the flexibility to choose amongst various assignments and projects. I will be expecting all work assigned in class to be completed during class time and some as homework on time.

To ensure clarity and transparency, on the first day of class that I will review the syllabus with students. The purpose of the review is to provide students with a clear understanding of <u>classroom rules</u>, <u>policies</u>, <u>expectations and grading policy</u>. Please encourage your child to ask questions, as it is important that all students thoroughly understand behavioral expectations and classroom procedures for the start and end of every class.

In closing, I would like to express that one of the most important goals this year is to keep the lines of communication open between the parent(s) and teachers. <u>Positive and productive</u>



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<u>communication is paramount to your child's success</u>! You are essentially my eyes and ears at home. *Learning is intended to be challenging yet doable, not impossible nor impractical.* 

This year I look forward to collaborating with your son/daughter to ensure a positive and successful academic outcome for your child.

If you have any questions or concerns during the year, please don't hesitate to contact me at vandana.grover@houstonisd.org

Sincerely, Vandana Grover