

## **JAMES MADISON HIGH SCHOOL**

## LEADING THROUGH EXCELLENCE AND EFFECIENCY



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**Dear Parents and Families** 

Letter of Introduction: G. Esiaba

Chemistry teacher

As this school year 2020-2021 begins, I wish to introduce myself as your child/ ward's Core Chemistry teacher. My name is Mrs. Gladys Esiaba. I was born in Nigeria and live in Houston, Texas. I have a Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Biological Sciences, and a Texas Composite Science Teaching Certificate. I have taught Science courses since the beginning of my teaching career 15 years ago and have spent 6 years at Houston ISD.

This school year will be a bit different because we are beginning the fall semester with virtual learning. It will be a learning experience we all have to adjust to, and get used to, as learning progresses. We still expect regular daily attendance, but this time, we will meet in our TEAMS classrooms. Links and guidelines will be provided in the HUB to make it easy to find TEAMS classrooms. Initial daily practices will make it easier to navigate until we master this technology-driven learning. Attendance, teaching, participation in lessons, assignments introduction, reviews, one-on-one, and group learning will all take place within this TEAMS class forum.

Our learning will be in two phases, synchronously with the teacher as whole class, and asynchronously with or without the teacher for practice, and mastery of taught information. Our class meetings will be recorded live, and can always be retrieved as needed, after any class presentation, in the event of an absence, or further use. Our students will adhere to their scheduled class periods, logging into each teacher's class period, when it is due, according to the A and B day schedules. Assignments will be uploaded in the HUB and submitted in the HUB, while teacher feedback will be provided routinely.

Teaching and working with children to enable them gain education, and succeed in a career of their choosing, has always been a cherished goal to me. Science has been an interesting natural field of study, and I intend to enable your child to discover how Chemistry is related to and makes sense in his/ her daily life. It is my goal to invite your child to a positive, respectful, orderly and culturally diverse learning environment. We expect both academic and behavior grades. Academic grades will be letter grades A to E, but we expect nothing less than a passing grade of 70% for our students

It is my desire to communicate and collaborate with you throughout the year via phone calls and / or email. You can also meet me in person when the time is appropriate for in-class visits. If you need anything from me, please reach out to me. I look forward to a good school year



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Sincerely,

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