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Greetings from the Principal!

Welcome to Sunset Elementary School and the 2020-2021 school year, a unique school year, but one that will strengthen our resiliency as a school community.

On behalf of the administration, faculty, and staff of Sunset Elementary, I welcome you to our remarkable school. As an international school of excellence, Sunset Elementary offers an International Studies Magnet Program in German, French, and Spanish language instruction, an International Education Program, a full-time gifted program (Pangea), and a Pre-Kindergarten program. Students are immersed in an environment of learning, filled with exciting and engaging activities. In this unique setting, families from around the world come together to create a dynamic school setting which values individual differences, while nurturing the minds and hearts of its students.

The school offers its students a world-class education rich in the study of foreign language, international studies, and advanced academic offerings. Its highly qualified and professional staff work diligently to afford students ample opportunities to learn and explore academic subjects, the arts, athletics, and numerous extracurricular offerings. It is no wonder our students love their school!

Recognized by the State of Florida as a Five Star School for its level of parent and community involvement, Sunset Elementary receives tremendous support from its parents, numerous parent associations, and business and community partners. Together, we ensure that Sunset Elementary students receive the highest quality education available. I take this opportunity to thank and congratulate our students and teachers for continuing to earn the State's highest levels of student achievement. This year, we are ***Honoring our Calling and Exceeding Expectations!***

We have all been called to extraordinary perseverance this year, and not only will we honor that calling, but we are confident we will exceed expectations. We remain committed to the health and well-being of our students and staff. The school has taken remarkable efforts to ensure adequate social distancing and mitigation of student movement in the building. We thank you for your continual support of our efforts.

The safety and security of all our children continues to be our number one priority. With the ongoing support of our school district, our School Resource Officer will continue to be present at the school to facilitate a safe learning environment. I thank you for your support of our school security procedures and efforts.

I encourage you to browse the school website, [sunsetinternationalschool.com](http://sunsetinternationalschool.com), to access a plethora of information and resources regarding school procedures and program offerings. You will also get a glimpse of a school community striving for excellence and dedicated to the success and care of its children. We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children achieve their highest potential.

Best wishes for a successful and enriching 2020-2021 school year!

Warm regards,

Dr. Marlene Leyte-Vidal  
Principal