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Inspiring Learning: Achieving Results

On behalf of Camp Lejeune Dependents Schools, we welcome you to a great school system and an exciting school year. We recognize the importance of partnerships with parents and invite you to take an active part in your child's education. Your interest, support and involvement are essential components to your child's success.

Like all Department of Defense Schools, Camp Lejeune implements a standards-based curriculum. Our goal is not only to provide a rigorous curriculum, but also to create a learning environment which motivates, engages students, and ensures success for students of all ages, from preschool through twelfth grade.

Our schools develop local School Improvement Plans in support of DODEA's (Department of Defense Education Activity) Community Strategic Plan (CSP). The CSP provides strategic direction for improving student performance and achievement. Schools connect the goals of the CSP with their individual School Improvement Plans to address the unique issues and challenges identified by their staff. As the year progresses you will hear more about how you can become involved in school improvement efforts.

We recognize the challenges that accompany military moves and deployments. Camp Lejeune Dependents Schools provide a strong element of stability for your children. Our most important contribution is to remain focused on the educational mission and provide a stable environment for the students especially during times of stress. It is with your continued support and the strong commitment on the part of the military command that we will continue to implement a variety of plans and strategies that create an environment to ease our students' transitions.

We approach the new school year with renewed enthusiasm and hope that you will share in our excitement as this school year begins. Visit our website at: www.am.dodea.edu/lejeune to learn specifics about each of our seven schools. As parents, you set the stage for school success. Students need to see us in partnership. Let's work together to encourage good attendance, consistent study habits, a strong work ethic, and positive conflict resolution.

Again, welcome to CLDS, School Year 2008-2009!

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