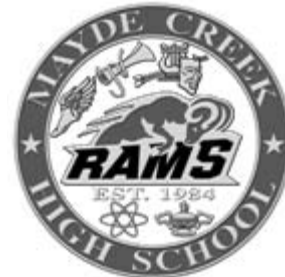




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Mayde Creek Welcomes Dr. Steele

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The 2009-2010 school year will bring many new changes, including new students, teachers, assistant principals and new head principal, Dr. Cazilda Steele.

"I am back home, which is kind of a cool thing. I have never been back to a school before and it is refreshing because there are many people that I befriended for the two and half years or so that I was here and I feel very comfortable," said Dr. Steele.

Dr. Steele was a curriculum for Mayde Creek High School before she left to become head principal of Mayde Creek Junior High for the 2008-2009 school year. However, with Principal Tompkins' promotion last year, an opportunity arose for her to return to the high school in his place, and Dr. Steele did not miss the chance.

"I love high school, I love the activity at high school and I love seeing young ladies and gentlemen grow up to be women and men, to see them aspire to go to university and to see what their life is like after high

school, I thoroughly enjoy that," said Dr. Steele.

With this school year, Dr. Steele hopes to make some considerable and effective changes to the current policies as well as implement some new ones that will work to better the school. Many of these changes stem from the feedback Dr. Steele received from students and fellow faculty members.

"I spent a lot of time talking to students, to teachers and to community members, and in that time people were telling me the things they wanted to keep and the things we need to work on," said Dr. Steele. "I took that all to heart, I took tons of notes and the changes we are doing is because of them."

She has already begun, as many have noticed, by implementing the new parking policies. Along with the new parking policies are the gates, which will prevent students from leaving campus during the school day when they do not have a legitimate reason for doing so. She has also made changes to the ID and tardy policies, updating both to help convey her new mantra.

"My mantra is if you are in the hallway, then you are not learning. So I want clean hallways and clean parking lots, because then I know students are in the classroom learning. And if you are in the classroom learning, you are going to build success, which, in the end, will help you do better on TAKS, on the SAT and on the ACT," said Dr. Steele.

Behind all of these new policies is not only Dr. Steele's new mantra, but also one of her main concerns: the safety of the students and faculty. With many of these new policies, she is hoping to hinder any threats to the safety of those in the school in advance.

"The one thing of the utmost importance to me is safety," said Dr. Steele. "I want to make sure we are safe in the restrooms, in the hallways, in the parking lot, at athletic events, and that we are safe in a crisis if the weather is bad. We are going to be really working hard this year on developing safety policies so that we can all respond in the right manner and stay safe."

As Dr. Steele heard recently,

Former MCHS Curriculum Principal and MCJH Head Principal Dr. Cazilda Steele takes the reign as MCHS Head Principal.

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'without change we would never have butterflies.' She hopes that the changes she is bringing will help gain her trust among students and teachers while improving the school's policies and education.

"I feel like I can help with the quality of instruction and

the quality of fun; making high school memorable and making it rewarding to be here," said Dr. Steele. "I am hoping we can develop that Ram spirit in the school over the next years. Not that it is not here, but just make it more alive when you walk into the building."

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