



# BABOQUIVARI MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the new 2014-2015 school year! We are very excited to have the opportunity to work with you and your child this year. We are committed to making our school safe and orderly place for your child. We believe that academic success begins with preparing our learning environment in such a way that we have high expectations for learning for all students as well as organizing our environment so that students understand what is required of them.

As we work together to support your child, it is essential to your child's academic success that he/she attend school every day. For deep learning to occur, children need to make connections with previous experiences. When a child misses school, he/she cannot easily make those connections to their earlier experiences, therefore making it difficult to advance in their learning. ***Please help us by ensuring that your child is in school every day.***

We are an AVID school. AVID is the acronym for **Achievement Via Individual Determination**. AVID is designed to give the necessary support to students, so that they can attend college and achieve their fullest potential. AVID serves to support students by teaching and reinforcing study and organizational skills, encouraging students to take more rigorous and challenging classes, providing skills necessary to succeed in college, and ultimately preparing them for success at a four-year university/college. Your child will carry a backpack which will hold their binder. We are committed to each student's academic success; **BUSD will provide a backpack and an AVID binder with supplies to all students attending BMS.**

We are also very excited to share that all students will receive a laptop this year. We have adopted new digital textbooks in all subject areas. We will be providing training for the laptops for students as well as for parents. ***Please be prepared to attend a training in the future, so that your child can receive his/her laptop.***

**Our Governing Board has approved our uniform code which is as follows:**

- **White or Maroon collared shirt**
- **White, Maroon, or light grey undershirt**
- **Black or Beige bottoms**

Please join us for a fun filled evening of workshops, crafts, and food at our **Back to School Celebration on Monday, July 14, 2014 from 3:00-7:00 pm** at our very own Baboquivari Middle School campus.

At Baboquivari Middle School we believe that every child can learn at high levels! We are very excited to have the opportunity of working along with you to ensure that your child achieves his/her fullest potential.

Sincerely,

Yolanda Nuñez, Principal

**Mission:** Our purpose is to provide a safe, student-focused learning environment that promotes high levels of academic achievement, while respecting and honoring the Tohono O'odham culture.