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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** All East Orange School District Staff

**FROM:** Dr. Gloria C. Scott  
Superintendent of Schools

**DATE:** August 14, 2015

**RE:** **Welcome Back!!!**

Greetings, and welcome back to the 2015-2016 school year. I hope your summer was relaxing and filled with memorable adventures and that you are as excited, as I am, about the possibilities and opportunities that the 2015-2016 school year offers.

To achieve our standards and goals, we must work collaboratively. By working together we are creating a vision of academic excellence and achievement for our district, schools and classrooms that make a difference for every student.

The U.S. News and World Report in an article entitled 2015 U.S Best High Schools recently ranked more than 21,000 public high schools in 50 states and the District of Columbia. Schools were awarded gold, silver or bronze medals based on their performance on state assessments and how well they prepare students for college. [Cicely Tyson School Performing and Fine Arts](#) and [East Orange STEM Academy](#) were both nationally recognized and received a bronze medal in the U.S. News Best High Schools rankings. This is directly a result of your hard work and dedication to our students. On behalf of the Central Office staff, I promise that we will continue to support your ability to make great things happen.

Please note all administrators are expected to come back on **Tuesday, August 25, 2015**. Our first Administrators' Academy will be held on **Wednesday, August 26, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room A**. The first day back for teaching staff is **September 2, 2015**. Our students return to school on **Tuesday, September 8, 2015**.

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I hope that each of you enjoys the remaining days of summer. I look forward to a happy and productive school year.

Again, welcome to the 2015-2016 school year. Let's work together to make this school year the best year ever. Below are the links to review the reports.

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