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## Letter from Principal

Dear Parents & Students:

Welcome to the 2011-2012 school year at J.E. Brown Middle School!

Our motto is ***"Right Teaching...Right Learning...At the Right Time!"*** We know that the time you spend at Brown Middle School will prepare you for the transition to high school. The education you receive, and experiences you have here will enrich and enhance your life. This is a very exciting time to be a student at Brown Middle School. Our comprehensive reform model is Project GRAD. Project GRAD provides a great deal of support for students and includes: 1) a structured reading program, Success for All (SFA); 2) a structured discipline program, Consistency Management & Cooperative Discipline (CMCD); 3) a hands-on, student centered math program, Project GRAD Math (PGM); and 4) support from organizations such as Hands-On Atlanta and Communities in Schools.

Our illustrious school is comprised of three smaller learning communities -- they are as follow: (1) Single Gender Male academy, Single Gender Female academy, and Gifted & Talented CORE academy. Each academy offers a stimulating and rigorous curriculum designed to challenge and develop your child's mind.

Middle School is a time of tremendous change. Students at the middle school level are experiencing physical, intellectual, emotional, and social changes unlike any other age group. The work load and social adjustments are greater here than at the elementary level. Students are expected to attend school regularly, complete all assignments, and behave appropriately. The years spent here will be exciting and filled with new opportunities.

Let me remind you, the best discipline is self-discipline. To perform as a responsible member of the Brown Middle School family, you will need to be familiar with the discipline program that has been established to ensure equity and fairness to all students. Reviewing the contents of school's handbook will be beneficial in helping you understand all the high expectations we have for you with regard to academics and behavior. You and your child are responsible for reading and knowing the contents of the students' handbook. Parents should sign the parents' form and return it to the homeroom teacher. This acknowledgement will be kept on file in the homeroom teacher's folder.

Every student at Brown Middle School will have a meaningful and rich experience as we work together to provide a caring environment where every child can reach his/her full potential.

Sincerely,

*Joyce H. Thomas*

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