

A Message from the Principal,

It's great to be back home at Hidden Oak Elementary School!

As you may know, I was a member of the "charter" faculty at Hidden Oak when our school opened its' doors for the first time 20 years ago. Upon my return this summer as the new principal, I was pleased and proud to see that the traditions of excellence begun by Dr. Richardson, the faculty, staff, and parents have continued, even stronger.

Hidden Oak is well known for its' culture of team work, where school family members work cooperatively to support an engaging learning environment and the highest levels of academic achievement. Congratulations to the entire Hidden Oak community for earning an "A" for our 2008 school grade!

We will all miss Dr. Doris Richardson and greatly appreciate the 56 years of dedicated service she has given to the children of Alachua County. Her dedication, skills, and knowledge contributed to her dynamic and effective leadership of our school community. Not only has Dr. Richardson had a tremendous positive impact on the children of Hidden Oak, but throughout the district, and across the state. Her involvement in development of state and local education policies and practices over the years has benefited all children.

I'm excited to be a part of this great team once again, and look forward to getting reacquainted with old friends, and getting to know those who more recently joined the Hidden Oak family.