

Dear Pierce Community,

I hope that you are enjoying a restful summer with your families and friends. While we still have a little ways to go before the first day of school, I wanted to write to introduce myself to you as the new principal at Pierce and share a little bit about me, my background and experiences.

It has been incredibly exciting to begin working at Pierce and with the Milton Public Schools, getting to know various faculty and staff, and becoming acclimated with the building. I am grateful to the many parents and families who have stopped by to say hello or sent welcoming messages. It has been a great transition for me.

By now, you probably know that I spent the past eight years as the principal of Norwell High School. Prior to that, I worked at Sharon High School for seven years - three years as a math teacher and four years as an assistant principal. Before moving to Massachusetts 15 years ago, I began my teaching career in my hometown of Southington, Connecticut as a math teacher. My wife and I have lived in Milton since 2008. We have four daughters who attend the Milton Public Schools. Victoria will be a sixth grader at Pierce in the fall and Sophie, Katie, and Lily are at the Cunningham School. Since our family joined the MPS community six years ago, I have been amazed by the talented staff and organizations that have made my children's school experiences so extraordinary. Having the opportunity to bring my passion and professional experiences to the community in which I reside is something I hoped to do for some time and could not be more enthusiastic to begin working with you all.

Although most of my professional experiences have taken place at the high school level, being in a smaller district like Norwell provided me with continuous opportunities to work across schools and grade levels. This district-wide perspective gave me a great appreciation for students' academic, physical, and social-emotional development, particularly at the middle school level. I look forward to working together to support the experiences that shape this critical developmental time for our middle school children.

I will be at Pierce most of the summer and invite you to stop by, call, or email me with any questions.

Sincerely,

William Fish
Principal