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Jerry Zucker Middle School of Science is helping all students develop world class skills and the life and career characteristics detailed in the Profile of the SC Graduate by providing a safe and nurturing learning community dedicated to each student's growth. We offer a robust academic curriculum in English Language Arts and Mathematics paired with several unique course offerings in the arts and sciences. Our students are able to take Biology I, English I, Algebra I, Spanish I and Computer Applications for high school credit. We are proud that a remarkable 97% of those students passed their End of Course Exams. We continually stressed the importance of high-level literacy and numeracy in our scholars' lives and vigilantly monitor each student's academic growth. We strive to help students create solid academic foundation on which to build their dreams. Jerry Zucker Middle School also provides a comprehensive character education program to develop integrity, perseverance, self-direction, and interpersonal skills.

Understanding that our lessons guide children's lives long after they leave our building, we also focus students on being responsible and accountable learners. We take special pride in our diverse student population, and we are intentional in explaining that our diversity is a great source of strength for our learning community. We treat each other with dignity and kindness to develop a global perspective necessary for success in the diverse world beyond our school walls.

We are also committed to building fruitful partnerships with our community. We enjoy devoted support from numerous corporate, faith-based, military, and civic institutions. Through these partnerships, we are able to expose our students to many interesting opportunities and careers that can either create a spark or sharpen their existing focus.

Most importantly, our faculty and staff share a deeply held belief in the unlimited potential of our students. We are sustained by a supportive community, a determined teaching force, and an unwavering dedication to our student's overall well-being. It is my great privilege to serve as the principal of Jerry Zucker Middle School of Science. I will continue to build on our substantial successes by improving our instructional services and communicating our vision with the greater school community-- a vision rooted in our unyielding belief in realizing the potential in every student, every day, without exceptions, and without excuses.

I look forward to working with you in the coming years to develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the SC Graduate in each of our students.

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