

Principal Message Grade 9-12

September 2018

Good morning/afternoon everyone,

I hope all of you had a wonderful summer where you had time to connect with your families and friends and I hope you are looking forward to a new school year.

It was an honour last year to get to learn about Seaquam and the people who make up the community. It was extremely impressive to observe the many student-led initiatives and the high quality of work demonstrated in those initiatives. This standard was displayed in all areas of the school and created a sense of pride throughout our community.

The start of a new school year is always exciting for me as it is a new start that brings us hope of being successful in whatever activities we decide to pursue. For all of us, we are hoping to be successful academically. For many of us, the hope extends to

our extra-curricular activities as well. The hope of being successful brings the potential of obtaining the feeling of accomplishment and the feeling one receives from being successful is awesome. I know that all of us have experienced the feeling of accomplishment at some point in our lives.

The feeling of accomplishment can take many forms and can be seen differently by various people. I had an experience this summer to witness an entire country celebrate an accomplishment that some may question. I was in Croatia during the World Cup final where Croatia played France. Although Croatia lost in the final game, the Croatian people still felt a feeling of accomplishment and celebrated their country's second place finish over a 3-day period. The national pride that was demonstrated was overwhelming and taught me that success is different for everyone.

My hope for all of you this year is that you will experience the feeling of accomplishment.

Obtaining this feeling does not occur by accident, but can take place if you set some goals, develop a plan and dedicate yourselves to execute your plan. Your chances of capturing the feeling of accomplishment will increase dramatically if you are committed and establish a strong work ethic.

I feel fortunate and blessed to have the opportunity to be your Principal and to work with all of you to obtain the feeling of accomplishment at Seaquam. Together, we will make this school year successful for everyone.