Dear Ridgepoint families,

Hello Ridgepoint families, students, and staff. I'm Doug Emerson and this is my second year serving as principal of Ridgepoint School. I couldn't be more pleased to be part of this great staff at Ridgepoint. I have deep roots in the Twin Rivers district, where I have spent the last forty plus years of my life. As a child I attended Oakdale Elementary School, as well as Foothill Junior and Senior High Schools. After graduating, I began coaching basketball, soccer, and track at Foothill High School. I even completed my student teaching at Joyce School and Pioneer School. I spent fourteen years teaching third and sixth grades at Frontier School before becoming the vice principal. I was then fortunate enough to become principal of Hillsdale School for two years and then Foothill Ranch Middle School before becoming principal here at Ridgepoint.

I am so excited for the 2023-2024 school year. Great things are happening here and I just love all the school and community events and the environment that makes this school so amazing. I strongly encourage families to join our PTA and to come out to all our PTA events such as the family picnic in August, the fall carnival in October, Santa's breakfast in December, and many more. Academically, I couldn't be more excited because our students made so much progress last year. In both our district benchmark scores and on our state CAASPP results we made progress in all academic areas. We also improved our attendance rates and our suspension rates from the previous year. Everything is looking great as we continue to make growth here at Ridgepoint School. One of the biggest reasons we are making so much growth is because of our teachers and staff who work extremely hard. They all encourage and guide our students to reach new heights of academic and social success. They share my vision of continuing to make our school a positive place for students to grow and learn. My first priority is always to think about what is best for our kids, and I will do everything I can to support the Ridgepoint staff so that every student can be successful in growing academically, socially, and emotionally. My goal is that Ridgepoint will remain a school that the community can be proud of.

I'm looking forward to this school year and can't wait to see all the growth our students continue to make.

Respectfully, Doug Emerson

Ridgepoint Principal