Dear Students and Parents:

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year! This year will prove to be full of new experiences as we navigate the COVID-19 environment. I hope that you had a great summer and that our families and students are ready to return to Palo Verde ready to learn, grow, and succeed. Our dedicated staff is working hard to prepare for another amazing school year, building on the success and accomplishments of last year and prepping for on-line instruction.

Our primary vehicle continues to be a focus on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills, Arizona's College and Career Ready Standards, using data to inform instruction, consistent implementation of research-based instructional strategies to increase student achievement, and providing a rigorous and challenging enrichment opportunity for all students.

Our educators will provide a comprehensive and rigorous education with opportunities to learn, accelerate, or re-learn material. Our students can take advantage of extra help through tutoring before and after school, on the weekends and through conference periods. At home, you can support us by checking on your student through TUSD's ParentVue at: <u>https://parent.tusd1.org/PXP2\_Login.aspx</u>. Here, you have access to attendance and the teacher's grade book. Also, you will find links to email teachers if there is a point of confusion. With the information from these pages, you can follow up on missing assignments, projects or test and help direct your student to tutoring or conference period.

As the start of the school year approaches, I hope you are excited and optimistic about what we can accomplish together! It is also my sincere hope that we will work together to provide our students the best possible opportunities in preparing them for the future. Please feel free to stop by or call to make an appointment to discuss and concerns, suggestions, or ideas that can help make our school the premier east side high school in TUSD.

Titan Pride!

Eric Brock

Class of '95