

Hello Garfield Families!

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year. Many of you know me already, but for those of you that don't, My name is Jon Smith, and I have served as the Assistant Principal here at Garfield for three years already. I am so proud to be your principal moving forward, and it brings me much joy to share that our very own Mrs. Katie Owens has assumed the Assistant Principal role as well. Together, we have served Garfield for a combined eleven years, and are as dedicated as ever to providing your students with rich, equitable, and lasting experiences here at school.

This year, alongside our amazing staff, we are committed to getting back to our roots and leaning on the district's mission statement: ***"Inspiring a community of achievement."*** Every day, every way, we will celebrate student success, whether it is academic, extra-curricular, or otherwise, and we are dedicated to providing safe, equitable, and welcoming environments for students to succeed in.

Students, families, and school personnel working together can make Garfield THE place to be in Marion City. We hope that you will come to know us personally here, and that we can work together to provide each of your students the opportunity to be inspired and achieve. Here's to a great year.

Jon and Katie