



Chino Valley Unified School District

*Gerald F. Litel Elementary School*



July 20, 2023

Dear Litel Families,

It is with great pleasure that I announce that I will be serving as the Principal at Gerald F. Litel Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year. Tonight, our board members approved the decision, and I am honored to have the opportunity to lead a school that believes the potential of all students may be attained through high expectations, a positive, safe learning environment, and meaningful communication with the home and school community.

I graduated from Chapman University and began my teaching career at a K-8 charter school. In 2017, I joined the Chino Valley family as a teacher, and continued to follow my dream of impacting students on a grander scale. This led me to becoming an instructional coach, induction mentor, administrative designee, and assistant principal.

I believe that all students can learn and are gifted in their own unique way. I look forward to continuing to work with the staff this year to further our vision and maintain a quality school environment where high academic achievement is possible through excellent teaching and active learning.

Providing and maintaining a safe school environment is my top priority. I will ensure that all families and students feel welcome and accepted no matter where they have come from or what they have been through. I will strive to build and maintain a school community where everyone's voice is heard, cultural values are embraced, and communication is reciprocal. Every student deserves a quality education and that only happens when the school and the families work together in the best interest of our children.

Litel has my heart. As your principal, it is important to me that everyone who steps through our doors is excited to be here! I will spend time with our students, getting to know their personalities, learning styles, and interests. I will celebrate their successes, small and large. I will encourage them and let them know they are valued and have a special place in our school community. I look forward to continuing to build a relationship with each Litel family as we partner together in your child's education.

Sincerely,

Stephenette Graham  
Principal, Gerald F. Litel Elementary School