

## Principal's Message

Dear Hope Valley School Community,

Hope Valley School is one of four elementary schools in the Chariho Regional School District. Our school community works together, like a well-oiled machine, to ensure the best learning opportunities for our exquisite children. In 2011, Hope Valley received the prestigious award of being named a Blue Ribbon School. From 2015 - 2020, Hope Valley School received the highest ranks by the RI Department of Education (RIDE). Currently, there are about 290 students at Hope Valley School in grades preschool through four.

Throughout the school year, we hold high expectations for academics, attendance, and behavior for all students at Hope Valley School. Teachers will encourage students to question their assumptions and think deeply, rather than to merely depend on memorization and recall of information. Doing this will only help students expand their minds and develop those important critical thinking skills. Teachers will also continue to take learning outside and utilize areas of our school yard for academic opportunities. Working in conjunction with families, the staff and I will strive to provide the very best education and safe environment for each child entrusted to our care.

The Hope Valley School PTO is an active organization. I encourage all parents to attend monthly meetings and become involved in the school. Our PTO works extremely hard to give students a tremendous amount of fun-filled activities throughout the year.

Parents are also encouraged to volunteer in the classroom or assist with field trips. All parent volunteers are required to complete and pass an annual background check. Check in with the school secretary for information on how to get a BCI completed.

Our staff members work very hard to stay connected with all families through regular phone calls, email messages and personal meetings. I, too, like to keep families as up to date as possible. A weekly newsletter is sent home via email and is also on the Hope Valley School webpage.

The entire team here at Hope Valley School strives to provide a busy and productive school year, filled with numerous learning opportunities for our students, as well as many social and enrichment activities for our children and families. Working in conjunction with parents and guardians, we hold ourselves to high standards to provide the very best educational opportunities for each child.

Visit the schools webpage at <https://hopevalley.chariho.k12.ri.us> for more information about Hope Valley School, You can also follow me on social media: *Twitter* @MrG\_HVES and Facebook page: @HopeValley15. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. I can be reached via email at [giuseppe.gencarelli@chariho.k12.ri.us](mailto:giuseppe.gencarelli@chariho.k12.ri.us) or by phone (401) 539-2321.

Sincerely,

Giuseppe Gencarelli (Mr. G)  
Hope Valley School, Principal