

**Welcome to the 2016-2017 School Year at
The Henry C. Lea Elementary School!**

Dear Parents/Guardians & Caregivers,

It is with a great deal of excitement that I join The Henry C. Lea Elementary School as your Principal. The Faculty & Staff here at Lea look forward to having a productive and engaging school year with your student(s). This year, we will work hard to support the holistic and academic needs of our diverse student body.

I'm joining Lea from Kenderton Elementary School in North Philadelphia, where I was the Assistant Principal of Student Support. I've spent my career pursuing the teaching, administrative and legal experience to support our staff in achieving the best outcomes for our students. I've spent my career working in public education and school law, spending the first years of my career as a middle and high school teacher in Philadelphia public and charter schools. After earning my J.D., I practiced first as a public finance attorney and later expanded my practice to include all aspects of school and education law. I then returned to the education sector, serving as a special education administrator for a large suburban school district and a charter management organization before joining Kenderton.

I earned my M.S.Ed. in Elementary Education from the University of Pennsylvania Graduate School of Education, my J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, and my Principal Certificate from Saint Joseph's University. I also earned a Politics Certificate from the Fels Institute of Government at the University of Pennsylvania.

The Lea Faculty & Staff and I plan to provide a safe, supportive and rigorous educational experience for your student(s). We look forward to working collaboratively with you this school year.

Sincerely,
ShaVon Savage, Principal