



Dear members of the greater Amelon school community,

My name is Jay Sales and I am the newly appointed proud, proud principal of #1 Bulldog Country! I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of how grateful I am to serve on behalf of our students. It is my privilege to serve as our school's instructional leader and my goals are simple. I will ensure daily conviction to the extent that our faculty and staff are dedicated and professional in every way; ensure incremental growth for Every Child, Every Day; and ensure that we meet standards for state and federal accreditation. Yes, along the way we will continue to cultivate learning in an environment that is safe, engaging—and fun!

As an Amherst County native, I take great pride in being a member of Amherst County High School's Class of '87! My memories are fond all the way from elementary school-to middle school-to high school! As a Virginia Tech graduate (Go, Hokies!), along the way I have had an opportunity to work with amazing students, to collaborate with tremendous colleagues, and to forge life-long relationships with families throughout the state of Virginia! Simply put, I love what I do and I count each day in the principalship as a blessing! Being appointed Amelon's principal represents a special moment for me on a personal level. I grew up literally 10 minutes away from the school's campus and take great pleasure in knowing that I am giving back to the very community that molded me into who I am today; thus, our school theme is *Just Like Family!* For me, it really is that: Just Like Family...

I invite you to get involved in your child's learning, communicate with our teachers to ensure that your child's potential is being maximized, and support our on-going school activities. After all, Amelon represents the place where we work and where students learn—but it's so much more. If we do what we are charged to do as school leaders, parents, teachers, and students alike—well, it'll be home away from home for all of us! Please join me in making this a reality.

JUST LIKE FAMILY

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