P.S. 108 The Philip J. Abinanti School **United in Excellence**

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Dear P.S. 108 Families,

It is with great excitement that I write this letter of introduction to you as the new Principal of P.S. 108. I am honored to have the opportunity to lead a school with such persevering students, an extremely dedicated staff, and a supportive school community. I feel very fortunate to be a part of this school and to support the students and families.

I began my career fifteen years ago as a 1st grade teacher at neighboring school P.S. 105. I continued my journey as a Professional Development coach and then spent the last five years as an Assistant Principal. However, my greatest achievement comes not professionally, but personally, as I am the mother of two beautiful children. People often say I treat all children in my school as if they were my own. Please know I will work tirelessly to ensure all your children have the best possible experiences while at P.S. 108.

I am thrilled to bring my skills as an educational leader to P.S. 108 and to work with you as a partner in education to ensure your child's success. I believe in building strong relationships with students, teachers and families. You'll find me in the hallways, classrooms, at arrival, recess and dismissal getting to know you and your child. I believe in having fun, listening, and being an advocate for those who can't advocate for themselves and doing my best to promote a well-rounded educational experience.

I will work hard to continue the legacy of success established at P.S. 108 by building strong relationships with parents, students, staff and community partners. Together we will make sure our students are safe, exposed to curriculum and instruction that is engaging and hold all to high expectations of success. We will focus on the use of data to inform instruction, prioritize social, and emotional growth, and provide exciting and challenging enrichment opportunities. It will take all of us working together to achieve great things. My number one priority is the students of P.S. 108. I have an open-door policy and welcome your input and ideas (as open as it can be with COVID-19 ©). We are in this together! I look forward to meeting each of you soon!

Respectfully,

Stefania Cedrola-Mustafa