

I am honored and excited to be part of the staff at Happy Valley. We firmly believe that all students can thrive and achieve academic success in our school which is small enough to be a family and large enough to provide a high level of service. Our staff believes this community is family and that the students are the responsibility of the school, not just one teacher. In order for our students to meet the challenges they will face, it is important to build a relationship of trust and collaboration among teachers, parents, students and the community. Happy Valley prides itself on being a small school that gets big results. I look forward to working with all members of our learning community as we provide an excellent education for each and every student. The Happy Valley District is committed to providing its students with a high-quality educational opportunity including:

- A nurturing and supportive learning environment
- Quality classroom instruction
- A commitment to high levels of academic achievement
- Attention to the personal needs of each student including Special Education, the arts, music, and physical education
- A variety of extra-curricular activities and athletic options
- Preparation for High School and Post-High School Educational Opportunities

If you want to discuss any aspect of our school district or its programs or if you want to discuss your child's educational needs, please contact me at <a href="mailto:rgifford@hvusd.net">rgifford@hvusd.net</a>. I look forward to working with you.

Rich Gifford, Superintendent