![C:\Users\Greg\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\QIUIWJP2\MC900240793[1].wmf]()Hi Parents!

Welcome to 8th Grade. I had an outstanding first day with your children today. Eighth Grade Science explores matter and chemistry, energy and your health, microbiology and disease, the hydrosphere, population dynamics, earth history, and good stewardship of our natural resources. This course creates the foundation for many of the high school science courses your children will take.

Your son or daughter will need a 1.5 inch binder and a set of dividers. A few page protectors will be useful. They will also need a spiral notebook to use as an interactive notebook
for science notes as well as pens and pencils.

**In order to keep the lines of communication open and to better serve your child, I am asking that you email me a sentence or two about your son or daughter.**

**Email:** gtmorris@wcpss.net

**When you send me your email, I can create an email group in order to keep you informed of upcoming events in our science classes. Also regularly visit my webpage at** <http://morrisscience.weebly.com>.

 I enjoy teaching science, and my goal this year is to begin to create scientifically literate citizens and let my students know that science can be fun! I started teaching at Daniels Middle School in 1982. I currently teach 8th grade Science and an Ecology elective. Coaching the Daniels Science Olympiad team is one of my passions.  I am always looking for talented science students for our team. I have undergraduate degrees in Forestry and Science Education and a graduate degree in Science Education from NC State. I received Environmental Education Certification from the NC Department of Environmental and Natural Resources in 2004.  My wife, Robin, just completed her master’s degree in Instructional Technology from East Carolina, and is the new lead secretary here at Daniels. My son, Matt, just graduated from Broughton and is off to Pirate Nation at East Carolina University. I am a big WOLFPACK fan!  I guess I will have to keep up with the Pirates now!

Feel free to contact me by email at any time if you have questions about your son’s or daughter’s progress in Science. I look forward to a productive and wonderful year with your children.

Greg Morris

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