

Dear Farmington Families, Faculty and Staff,

First and foremost, it is with deepest gratitude and a full heart that I share some news with you. After over 35 years in education, I have made the decision to retire at the end of this school year. During the past 16 years, I have joyfully watched our students, with the support of all of you, accomplish personal and academic excellence in all aspects of their education. Together, we have achieved what most school districts only dream of when it comes to our impressive improvement journey and outcomes aligned to our Vision of the Global Citizen (VoGC), including areas related to operations, safety and security, facilities as well as teaching, learning, well-being and program enhancements, placing the Farmington schools at the forefront of excellence and innovation in education.

I feel immense pride and appreciation for the people who make up this extraordinary learning organization and community. Our strong educational vision has ensured that our students are inspired each day to engage their hearts, minds and hands in deeper learning experiences that have meaning and value to them as self-aware individuals, empowered learners, disciplined thinkers, engaged collaborators and civic-minded contributors. Many years ago, we envisioned a new high school facility with design features aligned specifically to our vision. Today, these design features are found within the hallways and flexible learning spaces of our new high school which will continue to serve as a beacon of excellence in education, promoting inspired teaching and learning for all who walk through its doors today and for generations to come.

It has been my honor and privilege to serve as Farmington's Superintendent of Schools, in partnership with all of you, during such an extraordinary time in our school district's history. I extend my sincere appreciation to our talented and exemplary faculty and staff who so generously share their expertise, care and love of learning with our students each day. I also express my gratitude to Farmington's leadership team, our exceptional school and district administrators, who lead with integrity, heart and vision. Further, I am in awe of our central office team and their hard work and dedication in supporting our schools. The faculty, staff and administrators of Farmington represent the very best in public education and working with this team of outstanding individuals represents the peak of my career. To our families and community, I thank you for allowing me to serve this beautiful community and for always being there to support and cheer on our students, educators and school district. In addition, I want to share my overwhelming pride in our students for leading the way through their agency, compassion and impact. I feel immeasurable hope in the future knowing that our students will one day lead communities near and far. I also share a special thank you to our present and past Farmington Board of Education members, currently led by Chair Bill Beckert, for their leadership, support and dedication. I have witnessed their



unwavering commitment to the children, families and educators of this wonderful community which has served as a point of pride and inspiration. Lastly, I have been fortunate to directly collaborate with our Town Council, Town Manager's office and Town staff, Farmington Police Department, Farmington High School Building Committee and many other school and community organizations and groups who deeply understand the vital importance of the education we provide to our youngest citizens, the children of our community.

In Farmington, our schools serve as the heart of our community, inspiring and nurturing generations of learners to explore, discover, create and make a positive impact as empowered local and global citizens. Thank you for sharing your hopes and dreams with me over the past 16 years. Please know that It has been an honor to be a part of your lives and lives of our extraordinary students. The memories of my time in Farmington will fill my days with joy and fulfillment. You have made my time here so very, very special and I have treasured each moment with you. Thank you, Farmington!

With appreciation, Kathy Greider Superintendent of Schools