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Hello Bulldog Families,

December 1st, 2023

I write today with the news that as of January 30, 2024 I will be retiring from my position as the Milton-Union Elementary Principal. Over the past 35 years, I have served students in Clark, Montgomery and Miami Counties, the last nine at MUES. The decision to leave was not an easy one because of my deep commitment to our school, its students, staff, and the greater Bulldog Community.

It has been a privilege to work with such dedicated and caring colleagues, staff and wonderful students and parents. I am proud of our growth as a school and district and am confident that M-U will continue to flourish in academic success as the leadership role transitions to Mrs. Blankenship.

Since the beginning of the year, Mrs. Blankenship has been serving as our Assistant Principal and gradually taking on some of the roles of the Principal. We will be moving to a full transition on January 1, 2024 as I move to a role of support until my official retirement date. Thank you for nine incredible years.

Yours in education

Loretta Henderson, Principal

Hello Bulldog Families,

It is with great enthusiasm and gratitude that I reach out to you as your Assistant Principal. My journey into education has been marked by a commitment to fostering a positive and enriching learning environment for all students. I previously taught elementary and middle school in Trotwood-Madison City Schools. I then transitioned from teaching to supporting Student Services in the District Office. I currently reside in Troy with my husband and two dogs, Walter and Wallace. My goal is to work collaboratively with our incredible team of teachers and staff to ensure that every student feels supported, challenged, and empowered to reach their full potential.

It has been an honor to serve as the Assistant Principal for Milton-Union Elementary School these past few months. I have been so welcomed by the teachers, staff, students and families. Mrs. Henderson has been a tremendous support assisting with the transition. I want to personally thank Mrs. Henderson for her years of service in education and wish her a happy and restful retirement.

To continue to support with a seamless transition, I will be acting as principal upon our return from winter break. During the month of January, Mrs. Henderson will still be present and available during the change of leadership. I am incredibly grateful for her mentorship and support. We are in the process of hiring an Interim Assistant Principal for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year. Once this person has been hired, I will be sure to communicate those updates.

As we delve into the remainder of the school year, I want to assure you that I am here to support not only the academic success of our students but also their overall growth. Open communication is paramount to a successful school community, and I encourage you to reach out if you have any questions, concerns, or ideas you would like to share.

I am excited about the prospect of working with the Bulldog Community to create a positive and inclusive educational experience. Together, we can continue to make Milton-Union Elementary School a place where our students thrive and develop into well-rounded individuals ready to face the challenges of the future.

Thank you for your warm welcome, and I look forward to building strong connections with you in the coming months. Let's make this academic year a memorable and successful one for our students!

Go Bulldogs!

Annie Blankenship, Assistant Principal

























