



Andrew Carnegie Elementary School

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Dear Carnegie School Community,

After twenty-nine years in education in both private and public schools, I have made the decision to retire. While it is incredibly difficult for me to leave Carnegie School, the time is right for me to enjoy retirement. Twenty-nine years is a long time and I would not want to outstay my welcome! I have had an amazing career marked by so many wonderful memories and experiences including my time as principal of this vibrant school community. For the past twelve years, it has been a joy to work alongside our hardworking and dedicated teachers and staff who value education and serve as models of professionalism in their work with students.

My ultimate accomplishment has been serving Carnegie students, staff, and parents these past twelve years. The relationships that I have cultivated are priceless and will never be forgotten. Over the years, I have thoroughly enjoyed classroom visits, and seeing teaching and learning in action by our dedicated teachers. It has been rewarding, to observe students hard at work, collaborate with teachers and staff members, and witness student and teacher growth. The participation in successful parent conferences, LSC, and PAC meetings where we together came up with solutions to resolve our student and school matters were eventful. It has been fulfilling and I will cherish our memories.

I have been so incredibly proud to be the Principal of Carnegie School. The school has been on an incredible journey and through many changes. I have taken great pleasure in seeing hundreds of children develop and flourish as confident, successful young people and I am very proud of the part I have played in making Carnegie the outstanding and thriving school that it is today. It has been a great privilege but the time is now right for someone else to take over the reins and lead the school forward on its next exciting chapter.

As of July 5, 2024, I will end my career as your principal. I am delighted to inform you that Mrs. Shirley Roberson, the Assistant Principal, has been selected as Andrew Carnegie School's next Principal. Mrs. Roberson has very much been a part of the school's journey and I know I will be leaving Carnegie School in very safe and capable hands. I am confident that the school will have a successful future under her leadership. She will be ably supported by a very strong leadership team and many brilliant teachers and staff who are passionate about improving the education and well-being of our young people.

Finally, please know that it has been a delight and an honor to be part of the Carnegie School community. Your children have been a gift to me, and I will hold their smiles close to my heart as I move through the next chapter of my life. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your generosity of spirit, time, and care. I look forward to this new retirement phase in my life with my family and I will bring cherished memories with me. The world has so many adventures to discover, and I look forward to spreading my wings and soaring ahead to experience them with the abundance of time, energy, and good health I am gifted with. Once again, I extend great thanks to everyone. It has been such a joy to be a part of this fine community.

With warmest regards,

Docilla Pollard

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