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Every Eagle Soars

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Dear Emmitsburg Elementary School Community,

As many staff and students know, I am an avid reader and have always set a challenge to read more pages than I do over a typical summer. I love turning the next page and getting to the next chapter. I will begin my next chapter, on July 1, 2020, as I retire from FCPS, effective June 30. It has been such an honor to work with each of you, our Emmitsburg Elementary School Community of students, staff, and families each day since July 1, 2014. I have loved every minute of my appointment and work at Emmitsburg Elementary School, serving as the Principal! Your children, our students, bring me so much joy! I will miss seeing your children each day, but I leave knowing that with the support from a very dedicated, knowledgeable, and caring teaching and support staff at EES, along with our small but mighty EES PTA and you, our parent partners, that our EES Eagles will continue to SOAR and rise to new heights!

As the principal, I have shared with anyone who would listen, the talent and dedication of our staff, along with the curiosity and spark of our students creating the "just right" atmosphere for students to learn and grow! We have had so many staff nominated for awards for local and systemic recognition. Our staff has worked together to apply and receive grants to enhance the learning environment for our students at EES. I cannot thank our staff for all that they do each day to make our school the best it can be! Thank you EES Staff! Through the work of our PTA, technology was added to our classrooms, field trip costs with buses were provided and cultural experiences were shared with our students! Thank you EES PTA!

In all of our days, and particularly during this current time of need in our country and system, we have realized that we are all learning together as a school community. We have worked as partners to do whatever is needed to help our students access learning, in this time away from our buildings. Thank you to everyone in our community for embracing the challenge of Continuity of Learning and for working together to find the way that works best for you, our families with students. I have had the wonderful opportunity to see how our students are accessing their learning during this time, and students are making us proud!

I hope to continue to hear and read about the great things that will come from the students, staff and community of Emmitsburg Elementary School! I have appreciated our time together and I am grateful to serve each of you as Principal.

Sincerely,

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