



MILTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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October 26, 2022

Dear Milton Public Schools Families and Staff:

We are writing to inform you that the Milton School Committee and James F. Jette have mutually agreed that Mr. Jette will resign as Superintendent of the Milton Public Schools, effective November 4, 2022.

As we previously reported, Mr. Jette was placed on paid administrative leave in July 2022, pending the outcome of a legal matter. Since then, charges against Mr. Jette were dropped, and his case was dismissed. In our conversations with Mr. Jette since the resolution of the legal matter, we have discussed his own plans as well as the needs of the school district moving forward. As a result, we have reached the mutual decision that his resignation is in the best interest of everyone involved and affords Mr. Jette the opportunity to pursue a new chapter in his distinguished career.

We are incredibly grateful to Mr. Jette for 26 years of outstanding service to the Milton Public Schools – as a guidance counselor, administrator, and Superintendent. Mr. Jette leaves a lasting legacy at Milton High School, where he served as principal for eight years. Under his leadership, the high school made tremendous gains in student achievement, and most notably, deepened its focus on equity, particularly by expanding opportunities for all students to excel. In August 2020, at the height of the Covid-19 pandemic, Mr. Jette agreed to serve as Acting Superintendent and was appointed Superintendent several months later. We are deeply in his debt for providing steady, courageous leadership during two years of disruption and uncertainty caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. I believe we speak for many in our community in expressing our great appreciation to Mr. Jette and wishing him the very best in all of his endeavors.

We are very fortunate that Janet Sheehan, who has been serving as Acting Superintendent for the past three months, has agreed to remain in the role through January 2023. Having previously served as Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Human Resources, Mrs. Sheehan has longstanding experience in the Milton Public Schools. She has served with distinction as Acting Superintendent, ensuring a successful start to the current school year. The School Committee is grateful to Mrs. Sheehan for her willingness to continue leading the district in the months ahead.

The School Committee will begin immediately to design a search process to recruit and hire the next Superintendent. We look forward to engaging the community, including opportunities for families and staff to share their perspectives on the district's leadership needs. We welcome your involvement and will keep you updated on the process.

The School Committee extends our thanks to our families and staff for your patience during this transition period. We are confident that together, we will ensure that the Milton Public Schools continue to provide an exemplary education to the students and families of our community.

Sincerely,



Ada Rosmarin
Chair, Milton School Committee