

December 9, 2021

Dear Walden Grove HS Families:

The purpose of this letter is to communicate that I have received a retirement notice from our Walden Grove HS principal, Dr. Teresa Hill. Dr. Hill's last day in Sahuarita USD will be on January 7, 2022.

Dr. Hill joined SUSD in 2011 as the founding principal of Walden Grove HS and is the only principal that the school has had. I extend my most sincere gratitude and appreciation for Dr. Hill's years of dedicated service, and the positive impact that she has had on the school's students, staff, vision, culture, academics, and many accomplishments. I congratulate Dr. Hill on her retirement, and wish her the very best and much success in all future endeavors.

I assure you of our District leadership's steadfast commitment and support, to ensure a smooth transition and seamless continuity of school operations. I have appointed Mrs. Kristen Miller to the position of Interim Principal. She will assume that role effective January 8, 2022, until further determinations are made about the permanent appointment of a new WGHS principal. Mrs. Miller has been a part of the Walden Grove HS community since 2013, and served as a faculty member, coach, student council advisor, and assistant principal. She has my full confidence and trust, and will provide strong and steady leadership, dedication to the school's continued success, and a relentless focus on serving our students, staff and community with excellence.

Although change can be challenging at times, it also presents opportunities for new growth and development. We will work together during this change, and continue in a shared commitment to making WGHS the very best that it can be in service to our students. I thank you for your trust and support as we continue to move through this transition. Go Red Wolves!

Sincerely,

Manuel O. Valenzuela, Ed.D.

Superintendent