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Dear Saddle River Community of Learners,

As I move on from my role as Superintendent of Saddle River and Wandell School, I want to express my sincere gratitude for the opportunity to have served alongside you, our remarkable Wandell community.

I am deeply grateful for the chance to have worked with such a dedicated staff of professionals, engaged families, and leadership team. Your commitment to the success of our students has been truly inspiring.

I am proud of the 2024-25 school year and all of the memories that we will now leave behind, including the very poignant goodbye Moving Up Ceremony that saw our fifth graders rise to the occasion as true Wandell ambassadors.

As I move forward, I will always cherish the year we have all spent together. I know that the future is bright for our students and the Wandell community, and I am confident that you will continue to foster a learning environment that is both nurturing and challenging.

To our students, I wish you all the best in your future endeavors. Remember to stay curious, embrace lifelong learning, and never underestimate your own limitless potential.

To our families, thank you for your ongoing support and partnership. Your involvement has been invaluable in creating a thriving school environment which brings that extra special touch to the Wandell experience.

To our staff, thank you for your unwavering dedication and passion for education and your willingness to accept and embrace me as your Interim Superintendent in such a giving way. Your commitment to the children of Saddle River is a testament to all of you and a truly remarkable Wandell treasure. To the leadership team, we have had a fun and exciting year together that I will always remember!

Thank you to all of the members of the Board of Education who have worked tirelessly on everyone's behalf and have been very supportive of my time at the helm.

It has been a pleasure working with all of you to make this year a positive and engaging place for young minds to grow and learn!

With heartfelt gratitude,

Richard Freedman
Superintendent
Saddle River School District