

Dear Roberts Community,

Serving the Roberts community for the last six years has been an incredible joy. We have made great gains together, and I feel confident this school community is thriving.

I write to you today to share news that is bittersweet for me. I will be leaving Roberts to serve as the principal at Pin Oak Middle School. This is a fantastic opportunity, and I look forward to continuing to serve this community at the middle school level. While I am excited about this new role and the opportunities it will bring, I know I will miss our school community tremendously.

Over the past six years, we have developed strong academic teams and an extremely effective PTO. The excellent leadership we have on the ground — both within the faculty and the PTO — will continue to ensure the sustainability of our programs and our improvements. I am confident Roberts will continue to be the heart of this community and a flagship school for the district.

The district already has begun the process of searching for a new principal. **You'll have the opportunity to learn more about the transition process and provide your feedback during a community meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 30 at 6 p.m. in our school cafeteria.** I encourage you to attend.

In the coming days, we will turn to the SDMC to select people to serve on the interview committee. The position will be posted, and the candidates will be selected for interview. We expect to have a new principal in place long before school begins.

My last official day on campus will be July 13, but I will continue to support the Roberts leadership team over the summer to ensure we stay on track and on schedule for a smooth start to the new school year.

I'm sad to leave Roberts, but I know I'm leaving you — and our school community — in a good place and in good hands. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for the opportunity to work alongside you over the past six years. It has been a pleasure and a gift. As I leave, I take with me incredible memories and a deep love for this community.

All the best,

Rita Graves, Principal
Roberts Elementary