



August 21, 2019

Dear Families of the Nevada City School District,

It is a pleasure to welcome back both returning and new families to our wonderful district. I hope that your summer was filled with exciting family adventures. I look forward to starting this year and continuing with the positive momentum and great direction we are headed in as a whole district.

Come and join me for coffee after you drop your children off at school. I will be in the staff room at Deer Creek and in room A-1 at Seven Hills from 8:30-9:15 on the following dates:

Deer Creek: 10/18, 12/13 and 3/6 and Seven Hills: 8/30, 11/15 and 1/24.

In addition, I will host a coffee on 9/27 at the District Office.

Coming to the October board meeting is the recommendation from the Leadership Team to move the fourth grade to the Seven Hills campus beginning the 2020-21 school year. After 23 stakeholder meetings last year, and many leadership meetings, we unanimously support this recommendation to solve the capacity issues at Deer Creek and the need to maximize and best utilize our resources including staff and support services for students.

Through these discussions we have prepared for this possibility in many ways including:

1. In the process of replacing the play structure at Seven Hills to be attractive to fourth and fifth graders.
2. In the process of pursuing grant money to create a possible game room and additional equipment for students to access during lunch recess.
3. This year we added reading support and a full-time counselor at Seven Hills.
4. We have a schedule and building plan to separate 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> from 6-8<sup>th</sup>.

Feel free to come to speak with me at a coffee if you have any questions.

The district has been a busy place this summer with hiring new staff members, preparing classrooms, working on fire safety out on our grounds, and installing security cameras. We are well prepared for a great start to the school year. I look forward to continuing being a part of the great school community of students, staff, families and businesses that support our efforts.

Respectfully yours,

Monica Daugherty  
Interim Superintendent