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Dear Students and Families of Watervliet Schools,

I am writing to you today to let you know that I will be leaving Watervliet and will no longer serve as your superintendent of schools. My last official day with the district will be January 1, 2019.

I truly feel blessed to have been given the opportunity to work with the students and families of Watervliet for the past 21 years. I have had a ringside seat to the growth and success of our school system. Most importantly, I have had the chance to participate in the growth and development of your children and have watched them grow from small children into young adults ready to take on the world. As a matter of fact, as I walk through South School, some of my former elementary students from North School are now dropping off their own children and I can't help but smile and hope I had a small part in their success or feelings about WPS. I do not mean to imply that everything has been perfect, it hasn't, but I hope that you realize that my intentions and actions have always been about the health and well-being of the kids in my care first. You have a special place here and I hope you continue to cherish your community and school.

When school resumes in January, you will have an interim superintendent in place. Dr. John Jarpe will be at the helm and he is a capable and caring leader. I have had the opportunity to work with Dr. Jarpe for over 10 years and he has my complete confidence in carrying on the task of providing a quality education to the students at Watervliet Public Schools.

Again, I want to thank you for allowing me to be a part of your community and the education of your child. This experience has been a gift and I wish you all the very best.

Take care-
Kevin Schooley