

March 19, 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians,

At last night's school board meeting, the board approved Melinda McMahan as the interim principal of Lincoln School for the remainder of the school year.

It is with great sadness that my stay at Lincoln School has come to an end. I enjoyed my time here with your children, the staff and the many parents I have met. I could not leave unless I know that Lincoln School is in good hands. I am very pleased to introduce Mrs. McMahan to you. She believes in the same principles as I. Students need to be in a safe, happy environment in order to learn. I know you will find her to be an exceptional principal for your children. Attached is a personal letter from her to you.

Sincerely,

Andrea Maslan

Dear Parents of Lincoln School Students,

Thanks for welcoming me to your community as I assume the interim principal position for the remainder of this school year. I appreciate the assistance of interim principal, Mrs. Maslan and central office administrators, as well as Assistant Principal, Mrs. Eichhammer during my transition. You have a dedicated faculty and parent volunteers who strive to provide your children many rewarding learning experiences. They welcomed me and I have met many of your children. I am eager to become familiar with everyone.

I am proud of my 40 years of teaching and administrative work. After 23 years as an elementary principal in the same school, I retired in 2015. Teaching and contributing to make a positive difference in the lives of students, staff and families provided me tremendous joy. After retirement, I spent the year guiding my two teenagers to apply to college and complete an Eagle Scout award. I also taught students completing their Masters at Concordia University in the Principal Preparation Program, supervised student teachers attending University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign in our northern suburbs, consulted and completed two brief interim principal positions. I also volunteer at our church office, Sunday school program for youth and adults, and contribute to mission projects.

You can contact me through my email, mcmahonm@sd103.com or through Mrs. Salinas, School Secretary, at 708-783-4600.

Respectfully,

Melinda D. McMahan

Interim Principal