



St. John the Baptist Parish School Board

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Dear GMMS Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

I would like to officially inform you that Mrs. Chevis has resigned her position as principal of GMMS. I thank her for her dedication to the teachers and students at GMMS, and I wish her well in her future pursuits.

I also want to commit to you to find a replacement (a permanent principal) for her as soon as possible. The application period starts today and, by law, will run for 15 days. The applicants will be screened and interviewed. Once the interview committee determines the top candidates, we will invite all parents to a forum where you can meet and ask questions of the top candidates yourself prior to the final determination.

In the meantime, we have assigned an officer to GMMS who has been on campus since Monday. There will be an additional administrator on the campus with Assistant Principal, Mrs. Murphy every day as well. My Central Office staff is assigned to be at GMMS until the new principal takes office. My staff and myself have actually been on the campus daily since last week. Our Human Resources Department will be interviewing a Disciplinarian for GMMS this Friday; the Disciplinarian should be on campus by next week.

I also wanted to address the classes who have had long-term substitutes. I hope to have permanent certified teachers in the classrooms by the end of next week. The Human Resources Department has hired one who is currently teaching, is currently processing another, and has two who are being interviewed for possible hire.

Based on a meeting held with parents, we are committing to offering the following additional academic support to students in these classes: Saturday Morning tutoring with a certified teacher. Although the substitute teachers have been working on the grade level assignments with the students, this Saturday tutoring will help to fill the gaps that may exist.

GMMS will be sending out further communication (JText) as it relates to the items above with more specific dates and locations as they become available.

Sincerely,

Heidi Trosclair
Interim Superintendent

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