



## SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Dear Harbordale Families and Community,

Please allow me the opportunity to share an announcement with you. With over 34 years in Broward County Schools and 19 years at Harbordale, I have made the difficult decision to retire from Broward County Schools this school year, effective Monday, November 8, 2021. With my extra time, I'm setting my sights on enjoying my family, traveling to new places and exploring new passions, adventures and experiences!

Throughout my professional career, I have had the awesome privilege to work with so many amazing students, parents, families and staff. Beginning my career as a teacher, then a school administrator, I have welcomed hundreds of wonderful, young students to school, watching their excitement as they entered school and flourished each day in their school environments. Every June, I proudly shook the hands of countless 5<sup>th</sup> grade students wishing them good luck as they left for middle school, then witnessing their pride as they returned to visit me in later years. I thank you for your support, encouragement and trusting me each day with your most precious gift...your child!

I hope over these many years, I have been able to make positive contributions within my schools and communities and will forever be grateful for that opportunity. I feel honored to have worked alongside remarkable parents and incredible teams of teachers, staff members, professionals and colleagues dedicated to creating the best educational environments for children. I leave my position as principal with a heavy heart and many mixed emotions, but with so many fond memories of Harbordale. I sincerely thank each of you for the privilege to serve you and hope your futures are bright and full of promise.

The district will begin the process to select a new principal beginning next week and will be soliciting your input. **A Community Input Meeting for the selection of the new principal, open to all stakeholders, will take place via ZOOM, Wednesday, September 8, 2021, 6:00 p.m.** Please see the attached flyer for ZOOM information. We hope you are able to attend this important meeting.

This has been an amazing and humbling journey for me, one that I feel truly blessed to have been given! As I move on, Harbordale will always hold a very special place in my heart. I am confident Harbordale will continue to thrive, flourish and grow as an academic community for many years to come.

With warmest regards,

Theresa Bucolo  
Principal