



**White Rock Elementary School**

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Dear Families,

Over the last 5 years, I have had the opportunity to learn and grow with this amazing community. Students, staff and parents of White Rock Elementary have always been supportive, caring and generous. The children have taught me unconditional love, laughter and perseverance. The parents have taught me the power of a nurturing champion and being a strong advocate. The staff have taught me to always give my best as this is what all of our students deserve.

At the end of June, I will be continuing my journey as a Principal at William F. Davidson. My heart sinks as I think about leaving White Rock Elementary. I have said this before and reiterate this today, this school is an amazing place and all of your children have a very special place in my heart. I have absolutely loved my time here and this school has become a part of who I am. I would like to spend my time over the next few months at the school celebrating this community, your incredible children, and this gifted staff. I am indebted to you for all that you have done for me. It is at times like this that I reflect on Max Ehrmann's 'Desiderata' poem: "And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should".

I thank all of you for opening up your hearts and sharing who you are; you will always have a place in mine. My wish for the coming school year is that you all take the opportunity to continue to work together for our children. This school has the most remarkable PAC and staff. You have an experienced and talented Principal, Mr. Michael Hurt, who will be joining the White Rock family.

I wish you the best and thank you once again for being such a wonderful first school for me.

Yours affectionately,

*Zahara*