

John Glenn School Corporation

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Dear John Glenn School Board of Trustees,

It is with mixed emotions that I submit my official retirement letter to you effective June 30, 2019. As I look forward to retirement, I reflect on the many fond memories of my time as a Middle School Principal and as Superintendent. I cherish all of the relationships that have been fostered throughout my years at John Glenn.

At the end of the 18-19 school year, I will have finished 42 years (1977 – 2019) in education. Seven years as a middle school Social Studies Teacher, one year as an Assistant Principal, 20 years as a Middle School Principal, and the last 14 years as the Superintendent of John Glenn School Corporation. Serving as the Middle School Principal and Superintendent in the School Corporation from which I graduated in 1973, is an extreme honor.

I sincerely appreciate the great working relationship with this school board, as well as other boards in the past. Through hard work, cooperation, and supportive board members, much has been accomplished over the past 14 years. I am most proud of the growth of academic programs including AP Programs and Dual Credit Certification, the expansion of the athletic fields, Project Lead the Way class offerings, foreign language additions, Robotics programs in the elementary and middle schools, and revenue-producing naming rights to the John Glenn TCU Gymnasium.

Throughout the past few years, the corporation has prospered from an increase in student enrollment, academic achievement, and student test scores. The John Glenn Community is a great place to live and work due to the great support from the community, parents, and you as a school board.

I want to thank the dedicated teachers, support staff, students, and parents whose hard work made this success possible at John Glenn. I have enjoyed the opportunities provided to me by the school corporation and this community.

I hope the legacy that I leave at John Glenn is the importance of building positive student relationships. *If you show them you care, they will care enough to learn.*

Yours in Education,



Richard M. Reese, Ed.S.

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