



Long Lake Central School District
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Dear Long Lake Community:

I wanted to take the opportunity to say farewell to some of the finest faculty, staff, Board members, parents and students I have had the privilege of associating with in my 45 years as a school administrator.

As you may know, the Board of Education accepted my retirement/resignation as your Superintendent of Schools, effective June 30, 2017, at its March 31 meeting. Unfortunately, my medical issues proved more intractable than originally thought and Long Lake CSD deserves a full time, onsite leader.

We accomplished a lot in my two years with you, including improved academic achievement and testing results, better morale, recognition of our unique qualities as a small New York district (the recent visit by Commissioner Elia being one example), and better communication among all district stakeholders. We have raised professional standards, taken steps to create a system for improving our curriculum, added an elementary after school program, and began to address the needs of Long Lake for adult education opportunities.

I want to recognize our outstanding team of teachers for their excellence in the classroom and their willingness to give their time beyond the school day. Thanks, too, to the Board of Education, which has consistently supported initiatives that enrich and enliven our school.

I also want to speak to Long Lake students. You are a terrific group and getting to know you was a special pleasure. I wish you success as you go forward in your studies.

Finally, I want to wish my best to Noelle Short, who has served as acting Principal/Superintendent and who will be my successor effective July 1, 2017. She and I have worked together this year to ensure a seamless transition and I know she will bring her own unique perspectives and talents to the job. You are in good hands.

All my best,

Donald K. Carlisle, Superintendent of Schools