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Dear Harrison Families,

I'm writing you today to share some exciting news! The Harrison Principal Selection Committee conducted interviews last Tuesday, and ultimately offered the position to Mrs. Lacey LeDoux. As you know, Lacey has most recently been serving as an Assistant Principal at Harrison, and has excelled in that capacity. With the opening at the Principal level, she decided to compete for the position due to her deep devotion to the Harrison school community...kids, families, and staff alike. I couldn't be more excited that she made that choice.

For those of you that don't know Mrs. LeDoux's background, here is an overview of her work. She started in Cañon City Schools as an elementary teacher, serving McKinley Elementary. She flourished as a classroom teacher, and was later asked to join the Gifted & Talented Education team, GATE. In that role, she supported multiple elementary schools throughout the district for four years, further building both her exceptional impact *and* reputation throughout the school district.

In the 2016-2017 school year, Cañon City Schools endeavored upon a major new initiative, the Early Literacy Grant (ELG). The ELG brought forth an opportunity for our district to not only adopt a new K-5 Literacy program, but also a robust reading intervention program. We also had a need to provide ongoing support and training for our classroom teachers, which meant we were in need of high-quality Literacy Coaches. Mrs. LeDoux competed for one of those five spots, and was selected. She and the other Literacy Coaches served our schools and students exceptionally well for the next four years.

It was during those four years that Lacey decided she'd like to pursue administrative work at the school level, and opted to enroll in an Ed. Leadership through Western State. Not surprisingly, this experience further galvanized her desire to become part of a school leadership team. As it happens, while completing that program, she spent the year as a first grade teacher at Lincoln School of Science & Technology, which allowed her to refresh her regular classroom instructional skills and further formulate some of her personal philosophy regarding the type of leadership that best supports the classroom environment.

When the opportunity for an Assistant Principal job opened-up, Lacey jumped at it. Her tremendous work ethic and broad-based educational background coupled seamlessly as she has supported Harrison this year. As a result, I wasn't surprised to see the vast support the Harrison staff showed for her during the recent Principal hiring process. We are all looking forward to supporting her with the transition to Principal.

If you haven't yet met Lacey, I recommend that you make a point to do so. She's all about kids and families, and is a strong believer in creating healthy and happy relationships with all stakeholders.

Sincerely,

Adam Hartman
Superintendent of Schools
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