July 22, 2015

Attn: Dr. Denean Adams and Board of Education

From: Michael McGrone Sr., Principal

This letter will serve as my official letter of resignation as Principal of Lowell-Longfellow Elementary School. Thursday, July 16, 2015 will be a day forever etched in my memory. It was on this day that I first informed Dr. Adams that I was interviewing for another position. Until that day, I was not fully aware if I would be offered the position. The fact that Dr. Adams expressed her disappointment only made my decision that much difficult. I thought of my administrative team and the great collaborative relationships that we fostered. I also thought of my staff and the phenomenal climate that we created at Lowell School. But the hardest part came when thinking about my parents and my students. The Lowell community really holds a special place in my heart and leaving them was not an easy decision to make.

However, I had to take all aspects into consideration; personally and professionally. As hard as the decision was, I did accept a new position. I am forever grateful and in debt to the support and encouragement given from Dr. Adams and the Board of Education. You pushed me to excel and learn; you supported me in visions that were not always clear to others and your unwavering guidance propelled me into the administrator that I am today. I will take all lessons learned with me into this new position and I will always serve as a partner to Harvey School District 152. Please accept this notice as my resignation and last day of employment will be July 31, 2015.

Thank you again for the opportunities granted to me. I wish you all the best and I look forward to staying in touch with you.

Sincerely.

Michael McGrone Sr.

Cc: Dr. Kevin J. Nohelty, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Human Resources