

Date: May 13, 2025

To:  
Superintendent Bowen  
New Buffalo Area Schools

Dear Superintendent Bowen,

After fifteen rewarding years with New Buffalo Area Schools, I am writing to formally announce my retirement, effective July 1, 2025. This decision comes with deep reflection and immense gratitude for the experiences and relationships that have shaped my career here.

Serving as the Director of Curriculum and Special Education, as well as the Girls Varsity Tennis Coach, has been both an honor and a privilege. I am proud of the growth, collaboration, and student success we've achieved together. Watching students thrive academically and athletically has been one of the greatest joys of my professional life.

I want to express my appreciation to the district, my colleagues, the families, and especially the students, for their trust, support, and inspiration over the years. The New Buffalo community is truly special, and I will carry fond memories with me into this next chapter.

As I transition into retirement, I remain committed to supporting a smooth transition and will do everything I can to ensure continued success in all areas I've been privileged to serve.

With gratitude and warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Kelly', with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

David Kelly