

Jonathan R. Balls

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Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2020 12:19 PM
To: Molly Stein; Jonathan Balls; Rod Worthington
Subject: Retirement

Board of Trustees, Superintendent Stein, Mr. Balls, Mr. Worthington:

I am submitting this letter requesting acceptance of my resignation from my position as a third-grade teacher at Thirkill Elementary School to be effective August 31, 2020. Also, please consider my subsequent request to be rehired for the 2020-2021 school year. I have seriously contemplated my retirement from teaching for some time, and through careful thought and consideration, I know this path is right for me.

I wish to thank the Soda Springs Board of Education for my continued employment for the past thirteen years. It has truly been an opportunity for me to teach in this district. I appreciate the professionalism and respect I have been afforded by the Board and the Administration as well as the freedom to exercise my knowledge and abilities in delivering instruction within the parameters of state and district standards.

I have always and do still love teaching children. I have a deep understanding of them and tremendous compassion for them. Instilling a love of learning in my students has given me boundless pleasure over the years. I feel that I have been a contributing part of the caring culture at Thirkill Elementary and still have much to add to the ongoing instruction of our students.

I am a lifelong learner and a teacher by nature. To me, devastation would be an inability to learn and grow and progress. Nothing thrills me more than gaining knowledge and sharing that knowledge with others by instructing, guiding, and facilitating. I am constantly searching educational resources to find viable solutions and engaging best practices to implement in my teaching. Currently, I am expanding my knowledge by learning and gaining valuable skills in distance learning in order to add that component of instruction to the skills I have to offer. Therefore, I wish to continue to teach 3rd grade at Thirkill Elementary again next year following my retirement.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Dana Crowther

Sent from my iPad

April 20, 2020

Dear Soda Springs School Board,

I would like to thank the Soda Springs School District for the opportunity of working with our outstanding students, faculty, and administration for the past 25 years. I would like to submit my formal resignation effective at the end of the present 2019 – 2020 school contract. I would now like to continue working in the district as a school counselor through employing the retired.

Sincerely,

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