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Dear Edina Community,

This evening, the Edina School Board learned that Superintendent Dr. Stacie Stanley has been selected to lead the St. Paul Public School District, pending contract negotiations and approval. While we will miss her visionary leadership, we support her in pursuing this exciting new chapter of her career.

During her tenure, Dr. Stanley has been a dedicated leader, demonstrating a commitment to the academic success and well-being of each and every student in our district. Under her leadership, instrumental work on the district's 2020-2030 strategic plan has taken place including a comprehensive literacy plan, a robust data metrics plan and dashboard, and work to engage various stakeholders in furthering the district's mission. She has led the efforts on launching the district's Spanish Dual Language program, enhancing enrollment and retention efforts, and pushing for the continued sound fiscal management of the district. Her impact on our schools and community will be felt for years to come. We are grateful for her service and the many ways she has enriched our district.

As we prepare for this transition, we want to assure you that the Board remains steadfast in our commitment to excellence for our students. We understand the importance of strong and stable leadership, and we are dedicated to finding the right person to lead Edina Public Schools.

To that end, the Board has already begun working on a pathway forward and will be conducting a comprehensive and inclusive search, ensuring that we engage with stakeholders and gather feedback from our community, staff, students and families. We are committed to a thorough and transparent process that prioritizes the expectations and values of our community.

We will share updates on the search process as they become available and encourage your involvement and feedback along the way. Thank you for your continued support and partnership in working towards our shared vision "For each and every student to discover their possibilities and thrive."