



October 8, 2013

Pat Cochrane
Chair Board of Trustees
Calgary Board of Education
1221 8 Street S.W.
Calgary, AB
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Dear Pat Cochrane,

I am writing to advise you and the Board of Trustees of my intention to resign my employment as Chief Superintendent of Schools effective April 8, 2014.

I am grateful for the opportunity to have served as Chief Superintendent in a school system where everyone's focus is on the students.

I believe I am leaving at a time when public education is strong in Calgary. Alberta continues to be one of the highest achieving jurisdictions, and coupled with that are the very high expectations that Albertans have for their public education system. Year over year, the strong academic results of our students improve. Our employees have directly advanced the four pillars of the Three-Year Education Plan and established a foundation for continuous improvement.

In addition to strong academic results, it is our responsibility to ensure that each and every student, in keeping with his or her individual talents, will learn and thrive in our care and will be prepared and inspired for ongoing success. I have faith that our students are leaving our system inspired to be lifelong learners.

Public education is a shared responsibility. I am grateful to have been a part of a community where everyone shares a common goal of student success. I am proud of our system, our employees and our students, and I am continually impressed by how valued public education is by our entire community.

Thank you for enabling me to be part of every child's success.

Sincerely,

Naomi E. Johnson
Chief Superintendent of Schools