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Team,

We're continuing to spring forward with plans for the coming school year. I'd like to share some more changes in our administrator team for 2021–22.

Casandra Kamens is taking on a new role as the district's extended learning administrator. Casandra has been the assistant principal at Churchill High School since 2017. Prior to Churchill, Casandra served for nearly 20 years in various roles at North Eugene High School. She was a world languages teacher, small schools coordinator, instructional programs administrator, and served as the school's principal for three years. Casandra's exceptional scheduling coordination and planning skills and her extensive school experience will be great assets as she takes on this new role.

We also have a few valued team members moving on to new adventures.

Joyce Smith-Johnson will be moving across the city line, joining Springfield Public Schools as their elementary education director. Joyce is currently one of our student services administrators and during this pandemic year has been doing yeoman's work in her capacity as health services administrator. She started in 4J as a substitute teacher, then served as a special education teacher, staff development specialist, Holt Elementary School principal, and Fox Hollow Campus administrator. Springfield's quotient of verve and tenacity will go up a notch on July 1.

David Jacobson is taking a new direction: After serving in administration roles for many years, in Springfield, Albany, Chile, Eugene and for the past two years as 4J's federal programs administrator, David has decided to return to classroom teaching. He is excited to return to working directly with students every day and to apply what he has learned as a school and district leader to his instruction. David will be much missed in our administrator ranks, and his new school and students will be lucky to have him.

Mark Watson is taking a different kind of new direction: He is retiring after 31 years of service in Oregon public schools, including 15 years as an assistant principal at Sheldon High School and a 6-month stint as interim principal, before stepping in where he was needed to serve as Cal Young's AP this year. Thanks to Mark for his many years of service to our students and our community. Watch for him soon at a fishing hole or hiking trail near

you!

Please join me in congratulating Casandra on her new position and wishing Joyce, David and Mark the best in their new adventures.

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