

Michael T. Conner, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Moody School Families,

I hope you are enjoying a great summer with family and friends. As we prepare to launch the 2019 – 2020 academic year at Moody School, we bid a fond farewell to Ms. Yolande Eldridge, who will officially be retiring from Middletown Public Schools on July 12, 2019 following an eleven-year tenure. Ms. Eldridge's service to the Moody School community has resulted in an increase in student achievement, a decrease in opportunity gaps, and most importantly, a culture where everyone is always welcomed.

Upon the announcement of Ms. Eldridge's retirement, our Human Resources department began the process to identify her successor immediately, using the guidelines outlined by the Middletown Board of Education and Middletown School Administrators Association (MSAA).

I am pleased to announce that Ms. Jennifer Cannata has been selected as principal of Moody School. Ms. Cannata has served as a Middletown Public School educator for over twenty years, which six were at Moody School. She is currently serving as the Principal of Snow School, which was identified as a *School of Distinction* by the Connecticut State Department of Education in the 2017 – 2018 academic year.

Ms. Cannata will be contacting the Moody School community in the coming weeks as she and Ms. Eldridge craft the transition plan. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly, at (860) 638-1401 or email at connerm@mpsct.org.

Thank you for your continuous support.

Regards,

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