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Dear Coatesville Parents/Guardians and Community Members,

It is my great honor and pleasure to be writing to you as the superintendent of the Coatesville Area School District. I look forward to meeting and partnering with students, families, educators, our staff, and the greater community in a wide variety of ways. My goal is to ensure that we achieve the district's vision of creating innovative educational experiences so that all students will become responsible, contributing, global citizens.

Over the next several weeks and months I will be focusing on getting to know as many of our school community members as possible. I intend to spend a lot of time visiting classrooms and schools, attending PTO meetings and other parent events, cheering on our sports teams from the sidelines, and immersing myself in the District and its many activities. I am no stranger to Coatesville, having worked here for ten years. It is a privilege to return in this role.

There are many significant initiatives underway in the school district; and I am eager to support our staff in the hard work that is making a difference for students on a daily basis. This spring we will be bringing two significant initiatives to completion: Our Master Facilities Task Force plan that will help to set the direction of the future of our school buildings, and our Comprehensive Plan, which has been developed by a committee of staff, parents, and community members. The Comprehensive Plan focuses on four primary areas: Student Achievement, Climate and Culture, Facilities, and Finances.

It is both a privilege and a pleasure to be part of an organization that is deeply committed to providing equitable access to quality learning experiences for all students. I have been fortunate to spend my career working on behalf of students with unique strengths and diverse learning needs as a teacher, special education supervisor, principal, Director of Student Services, and now, Superintendent of Schools.

There is much to be celebrated in the District, and, there is room for continual improvement. I am excited to work alongside our dedicated staff members to bestow the best possible educational experience for all our students.

I look forward to meeting you and communicating with you. Thank you for your support of our students.

Sincerely,

Catherine Van Vooren, Ed. D.
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