April 13, 2020

Dear Bradford School Families,

I would like to formally introduce myself in my new role as the Interim Principal of the Bradford Elementary School. Beginning the week after February vacation, I began working with the Bradford School community as an educational consultant through Seaside Educational Consultants. During that time, I had the opportunity to meet your children and interact with them in their classrooms, in the dining hall, and on the playground.

Nothing could have prepared those of us in education for the COVID-19 crisis. It is an unprecedented time for all of us. Leading and supporting a school community working and studying remotely is a new experience. However, I am confident that we can and will successfully get through this challenging time working in close collaboration with Assistant Principal, Ms. Nicole McGrain and the Haverhill Public Schools Leadership Team. Providing our students with meaningful learning experiences and supporting them academically and emotionally is our number-one priority.

As an educational leader, with years of experience, my passion and top priorities are leading schools through a transformation process and fostering a positive school culture and climate among all stakeholders. The search process for the Bradford Principal will begin within the next few weeks. A search committee will be formed, and I am pleased that I will be included as a member of that committee to assist in a smooth transition.

I eagerly await the day we are notified that schools are safe and able to reopen so I can welcome our students, staff, and families back into the building! Until that time, please feel free to email at ***catherine.giles@haverhill-ps.org.***

Sincerely,

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