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Last week the Board of Education accepted my resignation as Superintendent of Schools to accept a position in the private sector. My resignation is effective June 30, 2019. This was a very tough decision for me as I have truly loved the past eight years here in Sidney. I am very proud of the programmatic achievements that coincide with the professional growth of our instructional staff. Our students have benefited educationally as a result, and their accomplishments highlight these achievements. In 2010, I was directed to improve our district's academic standing and to expand our offerings to do a better job of meeting the needs of our students and community. As a district, we are very proud of the improved facilities, our model summer programs, our enhanced college offerings for our students, our expanded mental health support, and most of all our improved academic achievement, where we went from near the bottom in our region to near the top. Our staff is exceptional which has facilitated these vast accomplishments. The Sidney Central School District will continue to lead educationally while implementing continuous growth opportunities for our students.

The Board of Education has hired a search consultant, Castallo & Silky LLC, to do the search. Alan Pole has already started and later this week you will be asked to participate in a survey to assist the Board of Education in the process. I encourage you to participate.

Again, I thank all of you for a tremendous eight years and know that although I will be leaving Sidney, I will continue to place my personal and professional efforts in assisting other school districts in their pursuit to continually improve student opportunities and readiness. Sidney has grown to be a leader in many areas and our staff should be recognized for the exceptional work they do day in and day out.

Please contact me with any questions at 607-561-7700, option 3 or wchristensen@sidneycsd.org.

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