

## From the Superintendent Prior Lake-Savage Area Schools



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The school year will soon be upon us and as the new Superintendent of Prior Lake-Savage Area Schools I am looking forward to fall with great optimism.

I have spent much of this summer visiting schools, meeting with staff, parents, students, city and township leaders, and beginning to get to know the area and businesses. My family and I are enjoying this community very much and recently became some of Prior Lake's newest residents. After serving as a Superintendent in Colorado Springs, I am excited to be back in my home state and become a Laker.

With just over one month in the district, I can already see PLSAS has terrific staff who are dedicated to our mission to educate all learners to reach their full potential as contributing and productive members of our ever-changing global community. Together we will support students and build on our district's strong foundation.

This is not work that can be done alone. Strong schools equal strong communities and it will take our entire community, working together, to support our students and continue to bring our mission to life for them.

Looking ahead to the school year, I will be laser focused on core academics and providing the support necessary to meet the unique learning needs of all students, while providing them with social-emotional skills to help them reach their full potential.

I am also looking forward to getting more involved in the community, meeting parents and district residents, and gathering feedback to learn more about what's important to our stakeholders. I will be sharing more details on these listening and learning opportunities with our community this fall.

I am honored to serve this community and can't wait to kick-off a new school year as your Superintendent.