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Greetings New Joseph Bonnheim Community,

November 2nd, 2023

As you may be aware, Principal Christie Wells Artman has stepped away from her position at NJB in order to pursue new and exciting leadership opportunities within Sacramento City Unified. We are pleased that she has taken this opportunity to grow her practice in new directions and we are grateful for her 7+ years of service as site leader to the NJB community.

We anticipate that this may cause uncertainty for our New Joseph Bonnheim community. With that in mind our next steps will be to move forward with our hiring process. This process includes posting the position, hosting a community meeting, and three tiers of interviews. I am pleased to share that the community meeting has been scheduled for Monday, November 13th from 5:30-6:30pm and will be held in person in the NJB cafeteria. The community meeting is open to all families and staff and will be facilitated by myself, our Human Resources Director Nanci Rose. During the community meeting you will have an opportunity to share the characteristics you seek in the next leader for New Joseph Bonnheim as well as learn more about our hiring process and timeline.

In addition to the community meeting, we will also be holding three tiers of panel interviews. The Tier I panel is composed of representatives from our parents, community members, teachers, support staff, and current district principals. The Tier 1 interviews are tentatively scheduled for November 27th. Candidates who are successful at the Tier 1 interview, will be forwarded to a Tier II interview. The Tier II interview panel is composed of representatives from your Steering Committee and is tentatively scheduled for November 30th from 3:15-5:00 pm at the Serna Center. Any successful candidate after Tier II, will be forwarded to the final Tier III interview that is conducted with our Interim Superintendent and district leadership with the goal of submitting that individual for board approval at the December 14th board meeting. If you are not able to attend the community meeting but would still like to provide your feedback, be sure to visit our [New Joseph Bonnheim Community Charter School Principal Search](#) webpage.

Finally, I am pleased to announce Ms. Susan Gibson has joined the NJB team as Interim Principal. Mrs. Gibson will be providing support to NJB through December 8th. I am also pleased to share that Mr. Skip Landon will be providing support to the NJB team for the week of December 11th as we lead into the winter break. Both Ms. Gibson and Mr. Landon have not only served as principals within our district for many years but also as Interim leaders. Ms. Gibson has over 30 years of educational experience and brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise specific to the charter world that I know will greatly benefit the NJB community. We are grateful for her commitment to providing the stability and consistency needed during this crucial time. I sincerely hope you join me in welcoming Ms. Gibson and Mr. Landon with the warmth and inclusivity for which this community is known.

Thank You,

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