

Washington Township School District
"Making a Difference"

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Dear Parents –

After much thought and consideration I have decided to end my 43-year career in education and retire August 31, 2014. I submitted my letter to the Washington Township Board during Monday night's board meeting.

Over the past seven and one-half years I have had the good fortune and privilege to work side-by-side with a dedicated staff, student-centered administrators, a dynamic board of education, phenomenal students and involved parents. It is because of these wonderful people and the many experiences I have had during my time here that made my decision even more difficult.

Much has happened during this time: the implementation of SmartBoard technology in every classroom, district-coordinated child care, website upgrade, school newsletter, full-day kindergarten, OnCourse student information, PCL (Professional Learning Community), Response to Intervention through assessments such as Dibles, DRA, Study Island and MAP (Measures of Academic Progress). These wonderful programs and many more will continue to flourish in support of our students as they prepare to become the leaders of the 21st Century.

I am honored to have had the distinct privilege to serve as your Superintendent. It is my hope that I have "made a difference" in the lives of children during my brief time here in the school community.

Sincerely,

Roger Jinks