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Dear JA Families,

I am excited to announce that Mr. Brendon Feddema has accepted the position as our elementary Principal for next year. Mr. Feddema comes to us with many years of leadership experience. He started his career as an elementary teacher both overseas and at a local high performing Core Knowledge charter school. He moved into leadership as an elementary Dean of Students, was promoted to the K-12 Dean of Students role, and for the last 16 years has served as an Assistant Principal in 3 well-known schools in the area. Mr. Feddema is well respected in Jeffco, as well as several surrounding districts, as he has interacted with some of our staff, families, and other district peers over the years. He brings a heart for students, a growth mindset, and a passion for helping both students and teachers succeed. We believe that Mr. Feddema will make an immediate and lasting impact on Jefferson Academy Elementary.

I want to thank everyone who participated in the hiring process. The process was quite rigorous with 14 staff/parents involved as we focused on securing the right person to lead the school. It was important to identify someone who valued JA's history, who could lead our community, and who aligned with JA's Vision: *"...a community of parents, teachers, students, and educational and business leaders working together to create a learning environment that engenders growth in character, academic achievement, and the love of learning, resulting in responsible, productive citizens."*

In the coming weeks we will provide more information about Mr. Feddema so our community can begin to get to know him. For now, please join me in welcoming Mr. Feddema as our next Principal at JA Elementary!

Sincerely,

[Tim Matlick](#)

Executive Director