



May 1, 2017

Dear Perry Public Schools Community,

As you know, our district has faced serious challenges since I became interim superintendent two months ago. I would like to extend my appreciation to parents, students and teachers for their honesty and support.

I would also like to update you as much as I can.

A special school board meeting has been called for Tuesday, May 2, to address two pending issues: our contract with Superintendent Scott Chenoweth, and the status of the pending tort claim regarding a former volunteer and substitute teacher's actions. These conversations will occur in executive session. Because of the ongoing legal matters, the school district is not at liberty to discuss details from executive session. We will share updates as soon as we are able.

That night, the board will also interview two candidates for principal positions next year in our lower and upper elementary schools.

The following day, May 3, the school board will hold another special meeting to discuss school bond financing. The selling of bonds is an annual action related to the last bond issue passed in the school district. This is an important and significant meeting, because it reconfirms our commitment to capital improvements across our school district.

We have many good stories to share about Perry Public Schools, even as our community is still healing. I ask each of you to encourage our students and teachers as they head into the last month of school. Together, we can weather any storm and accomplish great things for our children.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Denton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Bill Denton
Interim Superintendent