



## MATH SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY MAGNET SCHOOL

RICHARDSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

*Where all students connect, learn, grow, and succeed*

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Dear MST Magnet Families,

It is with a bittersweet heart that I am writing this letter to you. After six incredible years of being the principal at MST Magnet, I will be embarking on a new journey in my educational career starting in the 2020-2021 school year. I will not be returning to MST as I have accepted a different position in RISD.

I write this letter to you with appreciation and gratitude for your support throughout my years of leadership at MST. When I first walked through the doors in 2012, I knew my life would be forever changed. I knew right away that I would love MST – the staff, the students, and the families. My love for MST has only continued to grow with each year.

Being the principal of MST Magnet has been the most rewarding experience of my professional career. I will always carry with me the memories that were made here; seeing our students learn and grow within the classroom and in their relationships with their peers, greeting and hugging them each morning on their way to class, our fun assemblies together, their laughter, and most recently, an announcement that I had not been able to make with you in person, that after much hard work with the National Institute for STEM Education, MST is now a Nationally STEM Certified school!

I want to thank you for all of your support, kind words, and encouragement over the years. Without you, we would not have been able to achieve the accomplishments that have made MST the Place To Be in RISD! We have worked together to build such a strong foundation of success for our students. That excellence will only continue to grow and shine. I know that MST Magnet will be in great hands moving forward, and I thank you for your partnership as we've worked to serve our kids.

Please give your students big hugs from me! I wish you all the best this summer and in all your future endeavors.

With love,

Helena Lopez, Principal, MST Magnet School