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## **PLANO ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES ANNOUNCES NEXT STEPS FOLLOWING SUPERINTENDENT'S RETIREMENT ANNOUNCEMENT**

**PLANO, TX, January 27, 2022** – The Plano ISD Board of Trustees met this morning in an emergency called meeting following Superintendent Sara Bonser's retirement announcement earlier this week. The board officially accepted Mrs. Bonser's letter of retirement and determined the next steps for posting and filling the position.

Mrs. Bonser announced her retirement yesterday, January 26, stating, "Balancing work and family has always been important to me, but never more so than now that my sister is dealing with a critical illness. Retiring will allow me the opportunity to help and support my family."

The board unanimously agreed that their search would begin within Plano ISD, looking first at internal candidates. "We are happy with the direction the district is going. Sara has built a strong leadership team and has set the district up for success with a well-developed Strategic Plan and Plan of Work," said Board President David Stolle. "We will start our search by looking at internal candidates who can help maintain the momentum and forward trajectory inspired by Sara's leadership."

The board hopes to name a lone finalist in the coming months who will be ready to step into the position when Mrs. Bonser leaves at the end of the school year.

Updates regarding the superintendent search will be shared as appropriate and posted on the district's website.

**About Plano Independent School District**

The Plano Independent School District (Plano ISD) ([www.pisd.edu](http://www.pisd.edu)) endeavors to foster the highest level of student learning. Plano ISD is located 20 miles north of Dallas, Texas and serves the residents of approximately 100 square miles in southwest Collin County, including 66 square miles in the city of Plano, northern portions of the cities of Dallas and Richardson and parts of the cities of Allen, Parker and Murphy. Plano ISD employs more than 6,900 staff members who serve nearly 50,000 students in 73 schools and 11 service facilities. Mission: Our Plano ISD learning community will educate, inspire and empower every student to activate their unique potential in a dynamic world.

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