



MANSFIELD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

A Destination District Committed to Excellence.

June 20, 2019

To the Mansfield ISD Community:

As he so eloquently stated in his letter to the community, Superintendent Dr. Jim Vaszauskas has decided to retire as superintendent in February. On behalf of the Mansfield ISD School Board, I thank him for his selfless service to our students, staff, parents, and community.

Dr. Vaszauskas has devoted his life to public school education for 37 years. He has served as an English teacher, coach, assistant principal, principal, assistant superintendent, associate superintendent, and superintendent. He came to Mansfield ISD in 2009 as superintendent of curriculum and instruction. In 2013, the Board named him interim superintendent and later promoted him to the superintendent of schools.

Dr. Vaszauskas will leave a remarkable legacy. Because of his outstanding leadership, he was named the 2017 Region 11 Superintendent of the Year and a top five finalist for the 2017 Texas Superintendent of the Year award. Our district received an "A" from the Texas Education Agency under his guidance. He has also realized tangible ways to track student progress, taught our educators how to focus on their "one thing" to aid in the success of students, and implemented strategic visioning through the use of Vision 2020.

He is a proud resident and an active member of the MISD community. He serves as president of the Mansfield Sunrise Rotary Club, a member of the Mansfield Chamber of Commerce Board, the MISD Education Foundation Board, and as president-elect of the Methodist Mansfield Medical Center Advisory Board.

I am proud to have served on the Board that appointed Dr. Vaszauskas as superintendent. He has exceeded my expectations. While we will never be able to replace him, I am confident that we will be able to find another great leader who will continue to prioritize student success.

The MISD School Board is currently establishing a process for hiring the next superintendent. We will be discussing our next steps at the next regular board meeting on Tuesday, June 25. We are committed to approaching this task in a thoughtful and transparent manner.

Dr. Vaszauskas will be greatly missed, and we wish him all the best. Our charge as a school board is to provide stability in this time of transition. We are committed to continuing our work to focus on student outcomes and maintain a tradition of excellence.

Sincerely,
Karen Marcucci
Mansfield ISD School Board President