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Dear Families,

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I am pleased to [announce](#) the appointment of Louise Sirisko as the new Director of Education of YRDSB beginning in the new year. Louise brings a wealth of knowledge and experience from 27 years in education, most recently as Director of Special Education/Success for All Branch at the Ontario Ministry of Education.

Louise has a strong commitment to building positive relationships and working with students, families, staff and community members to advance student achievement and well-being. We look forward to welcoming her to the YRDSB and to working with her to continue creating safe, inclusive and welcoming learning and working environments for all of our students and staff.

I would also like to express our most sincere appreciation to Kathryn Wallace who supported our system over the previous six months in the Interim Director of Education role. Her leadership was outstanding during a challenging time for our Board.

Kathryn Wallace's last day will be November 30, 2017. In the interim, an Acting Director of Education will be appointed.

I want to acknowledge and thank families for their support as our Board has been experiencing this period of transition. I want to assure you that throughout this time, our focus has been and will continue to be on our students.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'L. Carruthers'.

Lorelea Carruthers
Chair of the Board