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Dear NB Staff, Parents, and Students,

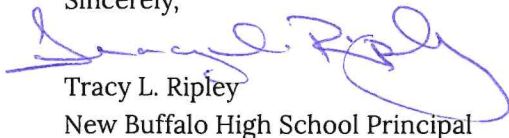
After 25 years in education, 17 as a teacher at New Buffalo High School and four (4) as the high school principal, I have decided it is the right time to transition into the next chapter of life in which I will spend more time with my family. I plan to retire at the end of the 2025-2026 school year leaving nothing but wonderful memories of relationships made with students, families, and staff members.

I am incredibly proud of the milestones our students and staff have achieved together during my tenure at NBHS. We are in a great place and worked tremendously hard to be a top ranked high school in the State of Michigan. I have been honored by the opportunity and trust that the community has placed with me to lead this amazing staff and student body. My time at New Buffalo Area Schools, as a coach, teacher, and principal have created some of the most important memories that I will cherish for my lifetime. The relationships made with families, staff, and students over the past 21 years will always hold a special place in my heart.

I am committed to ensuring a seamless leadership transition over the coming months. I look forward to working closely with the administrative team to support my successor and ensure the continued success of our school throughout the coming years.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve New Buffalo High School. I will carry fond memories of our students, faculty, and families with me into retirement. I appreciate all that you have done to support me and leave with nothing but fond memories of New Buffalo High School.

Sincerely,


Tracy L. Ripley
New Buffalo High School Principal