

19 May 2026

Dear Mendon Board of Education:

Please accept this letter as formal notification that I will be retiring from my position as Superintendent of Mendon Community Schools. My retirement will be effective at the end of the current calendar year, with my last working day being December 31, 2026.

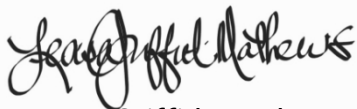
It is with profound mixed emotions that I make this announcement. After dedicating 35 years of my life to the field of education—the last eight of which I have had the distinct honor of serving as superintendent—I have decided it is time to begin a new chapter.

Reflecting on my time in Mendon as an educator and then administrator, I am incredibly proud of what we have accomplished together. Over the past eight years, we have worked collaboratively to build a healthy fund balance, pass a bond renewal, and to always have the best interests of our students as the driving factor in any decisions we have made. I have always believed that a school district's strength lies in its people, and I am deeply grateful to you, the board, our dedicated educators, administrators, and the broader community for your unwavering support, trust, and shared vision for our students.

While I am stepping down, my commitment to the success of Mendon Community Schools remains unwavering. Over the next several months, I am fully committed to ensuring a seamless transition.. Please let me know how I can best be of service during this period.

It has been the honor of a lifetime to teach, learn, and grow right here in the district I have loved since I was a child. Thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving this extraordinary community. I wish the district, our staff, and the students continued success and growth in the years to come, and I look forward to the next chapter for both the district and me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Leasa Griffith-Mathews". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L".

Leasa Griffith-Mathews  
Superintendent of Mendon Community Schools