July 20, 2017

Dear Parents, Guardians, Staff, and Students,

As the newly appointed Superintendent, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the Sanborn School community.

I live in Saco, Maine with my wife Rebecca and two sons, Noah, age 12, and David, age 8. In addition to my work as an educator, I am a professional musician, and enjoy snowboarding and mountain biking. My wife is a middle school music teacher. We have worked in education for 17 years. I hold a Master’s Degree in School Counseling, an Advanced Certificate of Graduate Study in Educational Leadership and a Bachelor of Science in Music Performance. I have been very fortunate to also study reading and writing instruction at Columbia University’s Teachers College for the past seven years.

I am looking forward to implementing an Entry Plan over the next 4-6 months. I will be meeting with school board members, administrators, members of the central office staff, members of the teachers union, parents, and community members so that I may become more familiar with the Sanborn Regional School District. In these meetings, I will ask each person to share his or her perspective on the district by answering the following questions:

1. What is your background?
2. What brought you to your current role in the organization?
3. What is working effectively in our district?
4. What areas could be improved in our district?
5. Do you have any ideas for solutions?
6. Is there anything I need to know that has not been discussed?

In addition to these individual meetings, I will be attending staff meetings and conducting observations in schools. I am excited to learn about our district and I am looking forward to supporting staff, students, and parents as we strive to meet the needs of every student.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at any time.

I hope you have a wonderful summer. I look forward to the start of the 2017-2018 school year!

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Thomas J. Ambrose
Superintendent of Schools

The mission of the Sanborn Regional School District is to work in partnership with the community to educate all learners in a safe environment. Together we are committed to providing these individuals with opportunities to develop the skills necessary to become responsible citizens who are capable of pursuing knowledge independently and making well-informed decisions.