

Twenty-eight years ago I stepped onto the campus of Walnut Acres and was warmly welcomed into the community. I embraced the opportunity to continue my educational journey through my involvement with my administration, the parent community and colleagues. Little did I know at the time that this experience would fulfill me in ways that words cannot express.

I am so fortunate to have chosen a career that has been so gratifying. It has been an honor and privilege to have shaped young minds through these years at Walnut Acres. My students enrich me and make it such a joy to come to school everyday. Their energy and love for learning is inspiring.

I have been truly blessed to be surrounded by incredible professionals everyday. They motivate and continually inspire me with their wisdom, commitment and unwavering dedication to the children that they teach and nurture. They not only have been my colleagues through the years, but also admired mentors and dear friends.

To all the parents, Dr. Dowd and the entire Walnut Acres family that have supported me in my career, and it has been a true privilege and honor to have been a part of such a tremendous community. I thank each and everyone of you from the bottom of my heart for you have entrusted your children in my care. I will miss their smiles, laughter, and hugs.

It is with sincere gratitude and love that I will say farewell at the end of this school year. You have provided me a gift of a lifetime and you all will be eternally in my heart.