

Dear Green Acres Community,

For more than a decade, Neal Brown has fully committed his remarkable skills and intelligence to guiding our beloved school and community. His tireless passion for Green Acres and for progressive education is unsurpassed and truly inspiring. I have tremendous respect for Neal, and I owe him a great deal of gratitude for his wise leadership.

So it is with sadness and understanding that I accept the news that Neal has decided that the time is right for the school to find a new leader and that the upcoming school year will be his final one at Green Acres. Neal has showed bold and fearless leadership in guiding us forward.

In his typical, selfless, thoughtful manner, Neal informed me that he believes that now is the right time to begin preparation for the next chapter in Green Acres' proud history by announcing his departure following the 2019-2020 school year. His decision and timing give us flexibility in undertaking a deliberate, measured search for a new head of school and provide us with an ideal transition period. We thank him for his continued leadership as Head of School while we engage in this process.

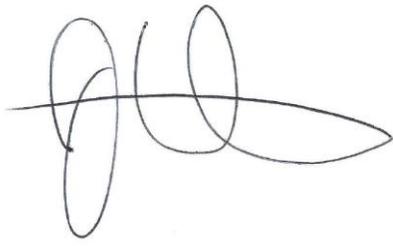
The Board appreciates Neal's years of hard work and inspired service. I admire and respect Neal's accomplishments and the example he sets.

As we prepare for next year's 85th anniversary celebration, we will also be celebrating the remarkable impact Neal has had on Green Acres. We will be seeking input from the community to both celebrate how far we've come and to provide input on where we go next.

In the next few weeks, we will announce the path forward in terms of hiring Neal's successor, including the appointment of a search firm and the formation of a community-wide search committee.

Please keep an eye out for opportunities to contribute and share your perspective, and, as always, feel free to reach out to me personally.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Josh Orenstein '82
Chair, Board of Trustees