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Hello,

It has been an honor to be a part of the Lewis Center for Educational Research which has proven to be such an impressive and successful institution. As principal of the Academy for Academic Excellence, I have worked to fully understand and accommodate for the needs of our amazing students. Our school and staff are dedicated to providing a learning environment that prepares students to be leaders in our ever evolving society. We have established an advanced standard that is focused on helping students to discover and develop their own personal talents and abilities.

I have spent nearly 40 years here in Apple Valley and worked as an educator in the high desert for 27 years. This community is a huge part of who I am. It has been my passion to find ways to help students develop the skills to help them achieve their goals and orchestrate successful lives.

AAE has been the example of academic success in Apple Valley since 1997. Our Mission is to prepare our students to achieve post-secondary success through relevant, rigorous college preparatory education. We will always hold our students and staff to a higher standard of safety and academic achievement. I value the dedication of our staff who devote so much of themselves to our students' success. I appreciate our families who invest so much in their own children and work with us collaboratively to carve out productive and impactful lives.

It has been a pleasure to be a part of the AAE family and culture. I look forward to continuing the tradition of excellence and working with our students, staff, and families.

Chet Richards
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