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To the VRHS community:

Re: VRHS Associate Principal

Mr. Michael Sidoti, Interim Associate Principal at Valley Regional High School, has resigned his position prematurely due to personal and health-related issues effective March 14, 2008. Mr. Sidoti formally announced his resignation at a Region 4 Board of Education meeting on March 6, 2008. The entire Board of Education, administration, and VRHS faculty and staff thank Mr. Sidoti for his hard work and extensive commitment to secondary school education. We appreciate his valuable service to Valley and wish him the very best.

First and foremost, our responsibility is to continue to provide a safe, orderly, and productive learning environment at Valley. Due to this urgent situation, I have taken the following temporary steps through the conclusion of school year 2007/2008.

- Mr. Donald Gates, Interim Principal, will provide more direct oversight of student management and school discipline in addition to his duties as Principal.
- Mrs. Tracy Whaples, VRHS teacher, will provide assistance with student management and school discipline on a temporary, as needed basis through the conclusion of school year 2007/2008. Tracy is currently serving in a TOSA (teacher on special assignment) position. Although we have to defer important work, the TOSA position allows us the greatest flexibility to assist the administration through this situation in the least disruptive, most appropriate manner possible. The temporary assistance does not include any responsibilities in the area of supervision and evaluation of professional staff.

Your continued support of the Valley Regional High School community is greatly appreciated. We will continue to forge ahead and look forward to welcoming a new leadership team by the conclusion of the school year.

Thanks.

Kim M. Caron, Superintendent of Schools
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