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Dear Students, Families and Community of Steele Elementary School,

It is with great enthusiasm and gratitude that I introduce myself as your next school leader. Over the past several months, I have been exploring leadership opportunities in the Denver Metropolitan area and was immediately drawn to Steele Elementary because of the strong commitment of staff, parents, and community members to provide all children with a safe, inclusive environment where they are able to engage in meaningful and challenging learning experiences. Being able to see teachers and students in action and witnessing the joy on the students' faces as they engaged in creative learning experiences, respectfully interacted with each other, and shared what they were learning filled my heart. The joyful learning, warm welcome and sense of belonging I felt during my visits are a few of the *many* reasons I am thrilled to be a member of the Steele community.

I am excited to share I will be on campus regularly in May! Kevin Greeley and I will be working closely to ensure a smooth transition in leadership. Very soon I will be setting up times to meet with you in a variety of settings, including one on one and in groups. Learning about the hopes and dreams you have for your child is important to me. I look forward to working in partnership with you to ensure that Steele Elementary continues to be the best place for children to learn and grow. Because I don't yet have a DPS email, please email me via Kevin and he will make sure messages are forwarded to me.

I am deeply committed to working side by side with you to continue to provide a physically, socially and emotionally safe environment where we all have the opportunity to engage in rigorous learning experiences and discover we are capable of more than we thought was possible.

See you soon!

Sincerely,

Cindy Kapeller