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Dear Carrillo Community,

I hope this letter finds you well and that you and your family are enjoying some rest after a full school year and exciting summer school program!

As the new principal of Carrillo K-5 Communications and Creative Arts Magnet School, I want to share how honored I am to have been selected to serve Carrillo, introduce myself, and tell you a bit about my vision for Carrillo while sharing my commitments to you, the students, and the faculty and staff of Carrillo. Carrillo has a long tradition of excellence, both academically and culturally and I am thrilled to be joining the family to ensure that legacy is carried forward!

As a Tucson native, I was fortunate to attend TUSD schools from kindergarten through high school. That amazing experience has instilled in me a strong belief in the importance of public education and how it shapes and prepares students for success. While I grew up on the east side, a Sabino graduate, my husband and I reside on the west side with our 2 dogs and enjoy living in the shadow of the Rincon mountains, close to downtown.

As Carrillo's new principal, I am committed to serving the community to ensure that our students and staff have what they need to be successful. Working together and sharing ideas will set our students up for the brightest possible futures in a safe and nurturing environment! I am also committed to being responsive to you. If you have a question, concern, or idea, please call, email or drop by so that we can work together to take Carrillo to even greater heights. Students are strongest when families, teachers, and the community work together. It really does take a village to raise a child, and we can provide that for our students.

I am looking forward to the first of many great years at Carrillo. I understand that the last year and a half have proven challenging, but as a team, we will continue to meet those challenges head on, and ensure strong academic and social outcomes for all Carrillo students!

The 2021-22 school year is all about carrying on the traditions of excellence! Let's go Cougars!

Sincerely,

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