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To my esteemed colleagues, and members of the school community,

I am deeply honored and humbled to be able to address you today as the newly elected President of the School Board. This moment is not just a personal achievement but a testament to the trust and confidence you have placed in me to lead this great district forward.

First and foremost, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to all who supported and believed in me throughout this journey. To my fellow board members, thank you for your collaboration, wisdom, and dedication to the betterment of our school district. Together, I am confident we can achieve great things for our students and educators.

To our administration, teachers, and staff – you are the backbone of our educational system. Your commitment to nurturing young minds and fostering a supportive learning environment is commendable. I look forward to working closely with each of you to ensure every student receives the best possible education and opportunities.

Of course, none of this would be possible without the unwavering support of our parents and guardians. Your involvement and advocacy for our children's education are invaluable. I pledge to listen to your concerns, engage in open dialogue, and work tirelessly to address the needs of our school community. To our students, you are the reason we do what we do. Your potential, creativity, and dreams inspire us to strive for excellence in everything we do. I promise to advocate for policies and initiatives that empower you to achieve your goals and aspirations.

Lastly, I want to acknowledge my predecessors whose leadership and vision have paved the way for us. I am honored to follow in their footsteps and build upon the foundation they have laid.

In closing, I am excited about the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead. Together, let us embark on this journey with enthusiasm, unity, and a shared commitment to ensuring our school district continues to thrive and excel.

Thank you once again for this incredible privilege to serve as your President of the School Board. Let's make this year a remarkable one for our students and our community.

Thank you.

**Mr. Victor Pratt**  
Board of Education President