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Mission - North Country Supervisory Union will educate students to become effective communicators, problem solvers, reflective thinkers, ethical productive citizens, and life-long learners while embracing their diversity. – November 2008

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Dear Colleagues,

I am overwhelmed by the positive welcome I have received across the NCSU school-community. I am enjoying getting reacquainted with many former colleagues and meeting many new people this summer. Everyone in the central office has tolerated all my questions and provided great support in my transition. It is good to be home and I feel honored to serve as your superintendent.


I recognize your many contributions as teachers across our supervisory union and value your hard work and commitment. I greatly appreciate the positive spirit and culture of continuous improvement that is evident in the work in which you have engaged over the past several years. I believe we are entering an exciting and dynamic time in education. We will move forward by recommitting to many great programs and practices currently in place while seeking new opportunities that will potentially reshape learning experiences for our students. Balancing continuity and change presents many individual and collective challenges to be sure. I am confident that we share great energy, enthusiasm and wisdom in advancing the best learning opportunities and outcomes for our students.

There is much to be proud of across our supervisory union. Strong community support, committed school board members, competent school leaders, excellent teachers and top notch support staff will enable us to provide the best education possible for each student. Most importantly, it is your direct relationship with each learner and the quality learning opportunities you provide that truly makes the difference in each child's life.

I believe our upcoming Convocation day on August 20th will build on the strong foundation of excellence that exists across NCSU. Our goal is to set an upbeat tone for the year that promotes relevant and engaged learning for all! It is my sincere hope that you will find joy and meaning in our collective learning and our shared sense of purpose. On this important opening day, will come together for a new school year and reaffirm our collective commitment to helping each learner *become effective communicators, problem solvers, reflective thinkers, ethical productive citizens and life-long learners while embracing their diversity.*

I look forward to seeing everyone soon and getting to know each of you throughout the year. Please know I am always willing to listen and work directly with staff in supporting students. I hope that you enjoy the remainder of summer.

Sincerely,


John A. Castle
Superintendent