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## TEMPE UNION HS DISTRICT ANNOUNCES LEADERSHIP CHANGE

**August 9, 2023** – The Tempe Union High School District Governing Board met tonight to accept the resignation of Superintendent Dr. Kevin Mendivil. The board also voted 5-0 to appoint Associate Superintendent Dr. Stacia Wilson to the role of Acting Superintendent for the remainder of the 23/24 school year.

"We appreciate Dr. Mendivil's long-time commitment to the students and employees of our District," said TUHSD Governing Board President Armando Montero. "After a thirty-seven year career in education, we wish him all the best in his much deserved retirement. All five board members have the utmost confidence in the leadership of Dr. Wilson to keep the District moving forward in the right direction."

Dr. Mendivil joined TUHSD in 2014 and served in several different roles prior to becoming Superintendent in 2018. Prior to his time at TUHSD, he served as a Special Education teacher, school principal, and Director of Human Resources for Mesa Public Schools.

"As I prepare to embark on the next chapter of my life, I leave with the utmost confidence that the future of Tempe Union is bright and will be in good hands," said Dr. Mendivil. "The leadership team for whom I have been privileged to work with consists of capable and caring individuals who share my passion for educational excellence and for improved student outcomes."

Dr. Stacia Wilson will serve as Acting Superintendent for the remainder of the 23/24 school year. Dr. Wilson has served the Tempe community as an educator for over twenty-five years. She began her high school teaching career at Desert Vista High School as an English teacher and went on to serve in various administrator roles throughout the District, including Principal of Tempe High. During her time at Tempe High, the school received an 'A' rating by the Arizona Department of Education and was a recipient of Arizona Education Foundation's A+ School of Excellence Award. Dr. Wilson moved to the District Office in 2018 to serve as Associate Superintendent. She holds a Bachelor's degree from Hampton University, and Master's and Doctorate degrees from Northern Arizona University.

The Governing Board plans to embark on a search for a permanent Superintendent. Additional details on this process will be shared with employees, families, and the community at a later date.

## **About Tempe Union High School District**

Tempe Union High School District (TUHSD) is an A-rated school district by the Arizona Department of Education and home to approximately 12,000 students across six high schools. Five TUHSD schools have also earned the A+ Award of Excellence from the Arizona Educational Foundation and three schools – Desert Vista, Mountain Pointe and McClintock - have earned the award twice. It is our vision that all students will graduate with the knowledge, understanding and ability to apply skills necessary for success in college, career and life. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.tempeunion.org">www.tempeunion.org</a>.