

Dear Mercy Colleagues,

I plan to retire from Mercy at the end of this school year. I have truly enjoyed teaching here for 16 years and will take away countless fond memories.

I am deeply grateful for so many things. First I have appreciated the professional, supportive and loving environment both as a teacher and as a mother of three Mercy graduates. My daughters Annie '98, Erin '00, and Kathleen '07 had an excellent education here. I was fortunate to be here when Kathleen was a student, and have many fond memories from those shared experiences.

I have truly enjoyed working with my math cohorts and many others working on various endeavors over the years. I will certainly miss the students and all the camaraderie, but I look forward to new adventures. I hope to spend some quality time with my mom and, of course with my own kids and grandkids. I am so lucky to have Annie and family living nearby, but my 3 other children (Michael U of D '06) are all spread out. Erin was married last summer out in Colorado, and we are so excited to announce that she is pregnant with baby due in the fall!! So to piggy-back on Mike Gruber's fun exit line, "if you can't find me, look to the western sky"...

With warm regards,

Sherri Howard

From Principal Carolyn Witte:

Having taught at the elementary level and also in adult education prior to her arrival here, Mrs. Howard covered the waterfront, teaching courses in mathematics, technology and business during her 16 years at Mercy. We wish her a lovely leisure spending time with her family and also increased opportunities to enjoy the outdoors.