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June 17, 2021 | Mrs. Fernandez Farewell

Mantua Elementary could not let our principal of 26 years leave quietly! This past week saw our staff gather to recognize her with stories, tributes, hugs and a performance by our very own talented musicians. Following the staff gathering the community came out to wave and honk past the front of the school. The parade even included tractors and convertibles! On Thursday morning, Rocky came to her doorstep for a special ride into school. On Friday, alongside staff in a longtime Mantua tradition she waved to our students as the busses pulled out for the start of summer break!

We thank you Mrs. Fernandez for your service and leadership at Mantua and wish you the best in your retirement!



Mantua ES Library Named in Honor of Mrs. Fernandez

Jan-Marie Fernandez Professional Library Dedicated June 7th, 2021

As we say goodbye to our amazing Principal, Jan-Marie Fernandez - we are naming the Professional and Parent Library in her honor. This space will carry on her passion for ongoing learning, and her commitment to bringing the latest research and best practices to Mantua.

This wonderful space will be set up with books and new subscriptions. It will also support staff development and guest speakers. This is made possible by a generous contribution by the Mantua PTA and its parent community.



Mrs. Fernandez Tribute Video

After 26 years of serving Mantua Elementary as Principal, our leader Mrs. Jan-Marie Fernandez is retiring. While we're lucky to still have her as our neighbor she will greatly be missed at our school. We invite past and present students and families to take a minute and record a quick message. Let's show Ms. Fernandez some Mantua love!

Here is how to participate:

1. Go to our [tribute video website](#)
2. Click on the "Record/Upload Video" big red button
3. Record your video from your computer or phone (TIP: If you are recording the video from your phone make sure to hold your phone HORIZONTAL!)

You can also record messages as groups or as a family! Example messages can include:

- "Hi Mrs. Fernandez, remember me? Jane Doe from 1997? Good luck with everything!"
- "Thank you Mrs. Fernandez for everything"
- "Congrats on retiring we'll miss you from the Doe family"

If you have a fun memory please share that too! Make sure to say your name and the year you left! **Deadline to submit videos is Friday, June 18.**

