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Severin Says Goodbye

When the Board of Education for Hiawatha's USD 415 met last week, it was a milestone meeting, but not because of the topics discussed or the decisions made; instead, the session served as the last for longtime Superintendent of Schools John Severin(Play Audio)

During his 44-year career in education, Severin has seen new ideas come and go, but one controversial change, the federal “No Child Left Behind” law, which he calls both a positive and a negative, stands out from the others(Play Audio)

Besides one confirmed plan to mark his retirement, Severin says he, and his wife, have yet to work out the specifics of what this new personal era will bring(Play Audio)

As he wraps up his career, Severin leaves words of advice for the new generation of educators(Play Audio)

As Severin steps down from his longtime post, and begins a new season of life, Penny Hargrove, current assistant superintendent of schools at Valley Center, steps in as his replacement.

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