



Dear Foothills Community,

I am deeply honored and incredibly excited to step into the role of Head of School this summer.

Over the past three and a half years, Foothills has become so much more than a place where I work. It is a place that has challenged me, inspired me, and filled me with a deep sense of purpose. I have had the privilege of learning alongside our students, partnering with our families, and collaborating with an extraordinary group of educators and staff. Through that work, my appreciation for what makes Foothills so special has only continued to grow.

I see the magic that is Foothills every single day in our commitment to curiosity and creativity, in how we intentionally build a culture of belonging, and in our unwavering belief that every child deserves to be seen, heard, and valued. Foothills is a place where students feel safe to be fully themselves and are encouraged to engage with the world in meaningful and authentic ways. It is a community that leads with heart, and I feel incredibly lucky to be part of it.

This role is not something I step into lightly. It represents years of listening, learning, reflecting, and growing alongside all of you. I care deeply about this school and this work. I am committed to leading with integrity, compassion, and clarity, and to continuing to build a community where every individual feels supported, valued, and empowered to grow.

I am especially energized by what lies ahead. I am excited to continue strengthening and clarifying our program, ensuring that what makes Foothills so special is not only experienced every day by our students, but clearly understood and intentionally chosen by families. I look forward to partnering with all of you to ensure that our mission and values are not just something we talk about, but something we live fully in our classrooms, our relationships, and our shared work.

Thank you for your partnership, your trust, and your belief in this school. It is truly an honor to lead Foothills into its next chapter, and I could not be more excited for the work ahead.

In the coming weeks, I look forward to connecting with you. Please keep an eye out for opportunities and events to gather, ask questions, and share your hopes and ideas. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly. I welcome any conversation, whether you have a question, a concern, or simply want to introduce yourself. Building this next chapter together is something I value deeply.

With immense gratitude and excitement,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary O. Dobroth". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mary O. Dobroth