Congratulations, APS Retirees!

Aurora Public Schools bids a heartfelt farewell to the nearly 100 employees retiring this school year. The group collectively served APS for nearly 2,000 years! We are grateful for their dedication to students, parents, staff and community members. The following are just a few retiree highlights:

**William Seagren**  
*APS Transportation Paraeducator—37 years  
(Transportation's longest-working employee)*

**Lorie Seagren**  
*APS Bus Driver—29 years*

“We met at the APS Transportation Department and got married 31 years ago in a one-room schoolhouse that is now a historic landmark at the DeLaney Farm! Side-by-side, we’ve operated a bus for 29 years and will miss the amazing kids and staff we had the pleasure of getting to know on our routes. We’re excited to continue our J.R. Watkins business, selling natural food and body products at events like the Colorado Country Christmas Show where we get to meet so many wonderful people!”

**Darla Stumpp**  
*Aurora Hills Middle School Principal—30 years*

“When I first entered APS as a student at the age of five, I had no idea it was the first step in a lifelong journey. As I made my way through APS as a student—at Montview Elementary School, North Junior High School and Aurora Central High School—little did I know what my future had in store for me. As an educator, I fell in love with teaching and supporting students in their quests to become lifelong learners. I’ve truly been honored to serve APS students, teachers and families in various roles. It is with both personal sadness and great hope for our community that I now close out an impossibly-rich career as the principal of Aurora Hills Middle School.”

**Kathleen Samora**  
*Dalton Elementary School Fifth Grade Teacher—36 years*

After 37 years in education (36 years in APS), there comes a point in time when you have to acknowledge you’ve given it your all and it’s time to move on to other adventures. I would always advise teachers to share your passions with your students. When they get a glimpse into who you are as a person and what inspires you, an amazing bond is created. I’m definitely looking forward to being able to travel whenever I want to during the year instead of during the most expensive times of the season.”