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Dear staff,

Veterans Day is tomorrow, and I would like to recognize our staff who are veterans. Your service and sacrifice are deeply appreciated. Tomorrow, please let us all remember the reason behind the holiday and take a moment to thank our veterans for their service.

I would also like to thank the many staff who have been covering unfilled positions in schools and departments during this labor shortage. I substituted again this week, along with many other district staff. We appreciate the work school staff do every day!

You will see more administrators substituting again this Friday as we currently have 89 absences unfilled, 54 of which are classroom teachers. You may have heard Seattle, Bellevue and Kent school districts are closing Friday in anticipation of being short staffed. We do NOT plan to close this Friday and believe we can cover the absences that are entered to date and continue school. This is important because if we did have to cancel school Friday, we must make up the school day later in the year.

I know this is a challenging school year and that everyone is working extremely hard. I want you to know how much I appreciate all you do for students and their families each day!

Sincerely,

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