

# Goodwater Montessori School Announces Focus on Primary and Elementary Grade Levels

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Williamson County— The Goodwater Montessori Public School Board announced the temporary suspension of several grade levels for the upcoming 2024/2025 school year. The Board recognizes the value of focusing on primary and elementary education in the delivery of Montessori learning methodology and believes the temporary suspension of 6th, 7th, and 8th grades will make significant contributions to the long-term success of the school and the students served.

The board, after a thorough review of financial, enrollment, and academic data, unanimously approved the superintendent's recommendation. Board Vice President, Dr. Allen Brown, emphasized the careful consideration that went into this decision, instilling trust in stakeholders that this is a necessary step towards the school's stability.

Dr Bruce Tabor, Goodwater Montessori Superintendent/CEO, shared his vision for the long-term success of the school's unique contribution to the educational community as a public Montessori school. The school has existed for seven years as a public charter school. The move will allow educators to focus on the needs of students at the Primary and Elementary levels, increase academic stability, solidify Montessori teaching and learning, and enhance professional development. Dr. Tabor and the leadership team at Goodwater are committed to fostering leadership and innovation in education. The board, in its commitment to transparency, encourages open dialogue with stakeholders. Dr. Bruce, Superintendent/CEO, pledges to provide regular updates on the transition plan's implementation.

Dr. Tabor has used his expertise to help Goodwater Montessori's decision-making process in his role as Superintendent/CEO since 2019. He has confidence the time will come to restore the delivery of instruction for grades 6, 7, and 8. In the meantime, he thanks the entire Goodwater community for their support. This decision reflects a commitment to the school's long-term stability. Plans are underway for the upcoming academic year, and the administration will communicate further details to all stakeholders in the coming weeks.