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## Community Invited to Superintendent's Welcome Address and Picnic

**Springfield, Ore.** – Excitement - and fall! - is in the air as Springfield Public Schools staff get ready for the beginning of school! Superintendent Sue Rieke-Smith will be kicking off the school year with a back-to-school welcome speech on **Tuesday, Sept. 8**, in the Springfield High gym.

**What:** Superintendent's Back-to-School Welcome Event

**When:** Tuesday, September 8, 2015, 11 a.m.

**Where:** Springfield High School Gym  
Enter at 10<sup>th</sup> Street

This year's speech will start at 11 a.m. to give staff a chance to prepare in their buildings. All are invited to stay for an informal picnic lunch in the SHS commons/courtyard beginning around noon.

The speech will give Sue a chance to share with staff and community partners her vision for the new year. Sue is passionate about the importance of educating the whole child, and she'll be talking about her goals for staff, families and community members to support that mission as we guide Springfield's students toward graduation and successful lives.

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