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**A Message from the Director
Holiday Greetings**

At this special time of year, when people all over the world gather to celebrate, I want to pass along a holiday greeting to our dedicated employees in Japan, Okinawa, South Korea, and Guam, and wish you all the very best for the New Year. I am so proud of everything you have done to uphold our mission and provide our students with a top quality school experience.

This year has been filled with many challenges as well as successes. We implemented new programs and initiatives in our schools, and continued to support the children and families that serve in the United States Military. The number of hours our educators invest to ensure that lessons are well planned, student needs are met, and parents are informed, shows the level of professionalism and commitment to excellence that make our schools one of a kind. I am humbled by the talents and commitment of all our DoDEA employees who make DoDDS-Pacific/DDESS-Guam schools the "best of the best" for our 26,000 students.

As our families gather to open presents and share in the joy of this holiday season, don't forget the gift of learning that you pass on to your students each day. This precious bequest leaves a lasting impression on them, and is a priceless contribution to our communities as the students grow to become citizens of the world and the leaders of tomorrow. Your daily work as educators truly makes a difference in their lives.

As you make plans for your holiday gatherings and celebrations, please remember the families of those who are deployed, as well as single soldiers and other members of our communities who are away from their own families. Through their personal sacrifices, these devoted individuals are making a stand for freedom, working to eliminate terrorism in order to make the world a more peaceful place for us all.

Thank you all for your dedication and support during this year. Best wishes to all our DoDDS and DDESS employees for a safe and joyous holiday season.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy C. Bresell". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Nancy C. Bresell
Director