

## Mid-term Message from the Superintendent

Ganado ISD,

We are now in our second semester of the 2016-17 school year and our School District is addressing a range of opportunities to “Kick it up a Notch” related to increased student success. Some of the new directions have been delivered to us from the State level and some were born from within our learning community as we take advantage of new freedom to be innovative.

In addition to the bulleted items we began addressing at the beginning of this school year that includes:

- New Personnel
- New Facility Program\*
- New ideas to support instructional coaching for students
- New organizational support
- New Emergency Operation Plan
- New Curriculum and Instructional Technology tools (TEKS Resource System, DMAC, eBackpack) with all secondary students using a Chrome book computer.
- TTESS and TPESS to evaluate and support our instructional needs of students

We are currently working with our District Improvement Committee to consolidate the ideas we have developed to reveal that we are a **District of Innovation\*\***. This will result in a plan that we will take to our School Board for approval so that we can be even more creative in meeting the instructional needs of students in our District. This concept was addressed in the 84 Legislative Session in the form of House Bill 1842 which will allow us to be exempt from certain provisions of the Texas Education Code.

Our District Improvement Committee has helped us review our progress to date related to our District Improvement Plan. Refinements to the plan should allow us to begin looking at new ideas to accelerate our progress in meeting the needs of all students which should align with the new State Accountability system that will begin in the 2018-19 school year.

**Go Maidens and Go Indians!**

\*Visit our website [ganadoisd.org](http://ganadoisd.org) to see the 2016 Bond Program update Banner

\*\*A draft of this will be posted on our web-site for 30 days after we have reached consensus from our District Improvement Committee.

