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RE: Leadership Announcements

Rocky View Schools' (RVS) Superintendent of Schools Greg Luterbach is pleased to announce the following leadership appointments, effective August 2019.



Suzanne Martin, Principal, Nose Creek Elementary School

Holding the title of principal of Herons Crossing School since it opened in 2012, Suzanne Martin will move into the role of principal of Nose Creek Elementary. Prior to her arrival in the jurisdiction, Martin worked for the Calgary Board of Education as an assistant principal and assessment learning leader. She also taught at elementary and middle school levels in British Columbia, California and Alberta. During her tenure at RVS, Martin has lent her support to various school and system-based committees, including the Literacy and Numeracy Task Forces, Superintendent Working Committees on the Communication of Student Learning (COSL) and Professional Learning and the Administrative Leadership Program (ALP).

Martin holds a Master of Education from the University of Calgary, a Bachelor of Education from the University of British Columbia and a Bachelor of Arts in History from Simon Fraser University. She also obtained a Montessori Teaching Diploma from the North American Montessori Centre.



Laurie Johnston, Principal, Herons Crossing School

Currently the principal of Bert Church High School, Laurie Johnston will take the helm of Herons Crossing as principal this fall. Over the last two decades, in addition to RVS, Johnston has lent her teaching and administrative expertise to the Brandon School Division, the School District of Mystery Lake, Foothills School Division and the Calgary Board of Education. Johnston joined the ranks of RVS administrators in 2011, as assistant principal of George McDougall High School. She later moved into her first RVS principalship assignment at Bert Church in 2014, where she has created a collaborative culture that promotes innovation, risk taking, accountability and capacity building.

A proponent of life-long learning, Johnston is currently pursuing her Doctorate in Education from the University of Calgary and continues to expand her knowledge base through various professional learning initiatives. She also holds a Master of Education from the University of Lethbridge and a Bachelor of Education from Brandon University.

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Ryan Reed, Principal, Bert Church High School

Ryan Reed will move out of his current role as principal of W.G. Murdoch to become the principal of Bert Church, where he started his teaching career in 2004. Reed went on to work for Elk Island Public Schools before accepting an assistant principalship role in 2014 that would see him help open W.H. Croxford, a high school in Airdrie. In 2016, Reed was promoted to principal of W.G. Murdoch, where he worked with staff to create professional learning communities around literacy, instructional design and assessment, while managing a significant modernization of the school.

Reed holds a Master of Education from the University of Alberta, as well as a Bachelor of Education and a Bachelor of Management, both from the University of Lethbridge. In addition to completing his Level 3 ALP training, Reed also has participated in Executive Leadership Training through the Roy Group and has served as a member of RVS' Allocation and Professional Learning committees.

Competition for the principalship of W.G. Murdoch School will be held shortly.

“On behalf of RVS, I extend my congratulations to these administrators on their new placements,” said Luterbach. “I am confident they will continue to serve their new schools and the jurisdiction well.”

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