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FCS approves new principals for Central Learning Community

The Fulton County Schools Board of Education recently approved two new principals for the Central Learning Community, which includes all schools in Sandy Springs and a handful of schools in College Park, Hapeville and East Point.

Marissa Wilson is the new principal at **Parklane Elementary School** in East Point. Ms. Wilson previously served as assistant principal at Paul D. West Middle School. She received her undergraduate and master's degrees from the University of Georgia, and her Specialist Degree from Kennesaw State University. During her time at Paul D. West, she was the administrator for Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID), a college-readiness program designed to increase school-wide learning and performance, leading up to Parklane receiving their AVID certification in 2017. Additionally, she led the school's one-to-one personalized learning initiative as well as the effort to increase Instructional Technology use via professional learning opportunities for staff.

Kedra Fairweather, former assistant principal and more recently principal at Parklane Elementary School, is now the principal for **Frank McClarin Success Academy** (McClarin) in College Park. Ms. Fairweather attended the University of Georgia for both undergraduate and master's degrees. She also served as Student Behavior Program Specialist for the Northwest Learning Community in 2013-2014. While at Parklane, she helped bring the College and Career Readiness Performance Index (CCRPI) score up by 16.9 points and increased the number of strategic community partnerships.

FCS' Central Learning Community Area Superintendent Dr. Nathalie Henderson said about the new principals, "Marissa Wilson is a proud product of FCS and has spent her entire career in South Fulton schools. We're excited to see how she will leverage her deep ties to the community to make a difference for the students of Parklane. And Kedra Fairweather is an experienced FCS leader with a background in both secondary and alternative education. We look forward to her strengthening the supports McClarin provides for some of our most challenged students in South Fulton."

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About the Fulton County School System. The Fulton County School System is the fourth largest school system in Georgia. More than 95,000 students attend 106 schools in the cities of Alpharetta, Chattahoochee Hills, College Park, East Point, Fairburn, Hapeville, Johns Creek, Milton, Mountain Park, Palmetto, Roswell, Sandy Springs, South Fulton and Union City.

