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Fulton County Schools welcomes new principals for North Learning Community

Fulton County Schools (FCS) is starting the 2018-2019 school year with a strong group of new principals for the North Learning Community.

Alpharetta Elementary welcomes Adelphi University graduate **Kathleen Stamper**. Ms. Stamper is a dedicated educator with 12 years of teaching experience who believes that providing students with engaging and relevant educational opportunities prepares them for success. She believes as a school leader, it is her and her team's job to inspire, coach, and support teachers, while also leveraging their strengths to serve as teacher leaders.

Karen Cooke joins the **Dolvin Elementary** team, bringing a wide variety of teaching experience including stints in Canada, Japan, Korea, and Cobb County. She received her Specialist Degree in Educational Leadership from the University of West Georgia. She looks forward to working with Dolvin Elementary's school community to build relationships in support of students.

Esther Jackson Elementary welcomes Loyola University graduate **Nikol Boyd**. Ms. Boyd's tenure at FCS covered a variety of schools and disciplines, and her strong desire to always do what's best for kids was instrumental in Northwood Elementary achieving the highest College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score in Fulton County during her tenure there.

Findley Oaks Elementary welcomes **Camille Christopher**, 2002-2003 Camp Creek Middle School Teacher of the Year and 2017-2018 Northeast Learning Community Assistant Principal of the Year. Ms. Christopher received her master's of education degree in Education Leadership from Kennesaw State University.

Dr. Hardray Dumas received his Ph.D. in Early Childhood Education from Georgia State University, and will bring a commitment to working alongside the school community to positively impact the lives of children to **Hillside Elementary**. He has a range of diverse experiences in teaching, coaching, and leading and is committed to creating and sustaining optimal learning environments where students can be successful.

Matthew Donahoe, new principal at **River Eves Elementary**, has a history of success at FCS elementary schools, including helping to start an AVID certification process and contributing to improving Hillside

Elementary School's state-wide CCRPI score from a 64.6 in 2016 to an 89.3 in 2017. He received his master's in Education from Indiana Wesleyan University.

Dr. Lydia Conway, National Board-Certified teacher, received her doctorate in Executive Leadership at Lincoln Memorial University. She sees her role as principal of **Roswell North Elementary** as an exciting opportunity to engage with students, teachers, families, as well as build strong partnerships within the Roswell community.

Dr. Lorrie Bearden, **Summit Hill Elementary's** new principal, has a doctorate of Education as well as a National Board Certification in Secondary Mathematics. As a school leader, she strives to lead and inspire teachers and staff to facilitate an educational experience which enhances the whole child, accommodates a nurturing climate for learning, and provides opportunities to develop leadership skills.

Holcomb Bridge Middle School welcomes **Jennifer Cassidy**. Ms. Cassidy has been an educator in Fulton County Schools for 17 years, including five years as Esther Jackson Elementary's principal. Ms. Cassidy earned her master's degree in Educational Leadership from Kennesaw State University.

Principal **Neil Pinnock** joins the **River Trail Middle School** team. Mr. Pinnock holds degrees from Florida A&M University (B.S. and M.Ed., Elementary Education) and a leadership certificate in Administration and Supervision from Georgia State University. He plans to use his years of FCS experience to promote academic, emotional, and social success for every student.

Taylor Road Middle School welcomes **Kelly Parker**. Mr. Parker received his master's of education in English at Kennesaw State University. He has been with Fulton County Schools since 1999, with experience as a teacher, debate coach, and assistant principal.

Former Northwest Learning Community Assistant Principal of the Year **Kimberly Premoli** is now principal at **Cambridge High**. Ms. Premoli earned her Specialist in Education in Leadership degree from Georgia State University. She is committed to moving Cambridge forward by continuing to support the well-established teaching and learning culture which has made it a place of excellence for all students.

Centennial High welcomes **Dr. Anthony Newbold**. Under his principalship at Bear Creek Middle School, student outcomes improved in all content areas. Dr. Newbold's instructional and leadership credentials are from Morehouse College, St. Peter's University, and Walden University.

Tim Duncan returns to his roots at **Chattahoochee High**, where he was formerly principal before becoming executive director of Academic Capital Projects at Fulton County Schools. While working in the central office presented the opportunity to reach more students, he missed the action of being on the frontline and interacting directly with stakeholders. Upon his return, he is looking forward to continuing the tradition of excellence and applying insights he's learned from his "gap" years. Mr. Duncan received his Specialist in Education in Leadership degree from the University of Georgia.

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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.