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Two New Principals and a New Director for Kimberly Area School District

Kimberly, Wis. – February 13, 2018 – The Kimberly Area School District (KASD) Board of Education is pleased to announce that next school year Jason Nate will be the new Principal at Mapleview Intermediate School, Jackie Schleicher will lead Kimberly High School as their Principal and John Schultz will become the Director of Student Improvement.



Jason Nate, a familiar face within KASD, will become the Principal at Mapleview Intermediate School in July 2018. He began his career in education at Kimberly High School (KHS) teaching special education and helping at-risk students. Since 2014, he has been an Assistant Principal at KHS. “For the past 19 years I have enjoyed working at Kimberly High School, serving both staff and students,” said Nate. “While I have enjoyed my time here, I am very excited for this next transition. I will miss the high school, but am eager to begin my new role and get to know the staff and students at Mapleview Intermediate School.” Nate earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point and his graduate degree from Hope International University.

Jackie Schleicher, who will become the Principal of KHS in July 2018, comes to the Kimberly Area School District after serving as the Principal of Oshkosh North High School for the past five years. Schleicher started

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her career in the Oshkosh Area School District as a middle school Science Teacher. She then served as a Project Manager for their eAcademy. She was an Assistant Principal at Oshkosh North for three years before she became the school's Principal. Schleicher earned her undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin – Madison and her master's degree and principal license from Marian University.



After meeting with students, teachers, administrators and the Board of Education throughout the hiring process, Ms. Schleicher is excited to join the Kimberly Area School District. “What an amazing community of people dedicated to the education of their children,” said Schleicher. “Meeting the students and staff to hear what they need from their next principal has me excited to begin work as a Papermaker!”



John Schultz, who has been the Principal of Mapleview Intermediate School for the last six years, will become the Director of Student Improvement after the current school year. In his new role, Schultz will combine the Director of Curriculum's responsibilities as well as lead efforts to use continuous improvement to advance student outcomes. “I am very excited and thankful for the opportunity to work at the District level as the Director of Student Improvement,” said Schultz. “I am thankful

for all of the leadership opportunities I have had at KASD over the past 12 years. I will continue to learn in my new role and use the experiences I have had to help move the District forward with its efforts to continually improve the student experience.”

Schultz started his career in education as a Teacher of third and fourth grade in St. Joseph, Michigan, and then Lodi, Wisconsin. He then served as an Assistant Principal at Lodi High School before joining the Kimberly Area School District 12 years ago. Prior to his role at Mapleview, Schultz served as a Principal at both Janssen and Sunrise Elementary Schools. Schultz received his undergraduate degree from the University of Minnesota – Morris. He earned his master's degree and principal license from Viterbo University.

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Holly Prast, Assistant Superintendent for the Kimberly Area School District, praised the selection team members for choosing highly qualified candidates. “Jackie will be an outstanding addition to the Kimberly Area School District, and I believe that Jason and John will excel in their new positions,” said Prast. “We are committed to ensuring that there will be a seamless transition for our students and families.”

The staffing changes were brought about by two upcoming retirements. Mike Rietveld, the Principal of Kimberly High School who has served KASD for 36 years, will retire at the end of June. Ron Simonis, who has been the Director of Curriculum for the last 10 years, will also retire after the current school year.

“Both Mike and Ron have made a lasting impact in the lives of students in our District,” said Robert Mayfield, Superintendent. “We thank them for their many years of dedicated service and wish them both well in retirement.”

About the Kimberly Area School District

The Kimberly Area School District is a progressive public school district committed to providing the best possible education available to students. Its responsibility is to help lead the way in developing well-rounded students and future citizens. The District wants every student to be given the opportunity to reach their potential through academics, the arts and co-curricular activities. It encompasses approximately 17 square miles and serves over 5,100 students in one 4K center, four elementary schools (5K-4), two intermediate schools (5-6), one middle school (7-8) and one high school (9-12). To learn more about the Kimberly Area School District, call (920)788-7900 or visit www.kimberly.k12.wi.us.