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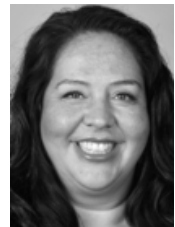
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New Assignments Fill 76 Key Positions

A total of 76 administrators start new assignments at schools and offices in the Long Beach Unified School District this fall.

Promoted to assistant superintendent are Brian Moskovitz, Elementary Schools, was director, Employee Relations; Jay Camerino, Middle and K-8 Schools, was instructional director/principal supervisor, Secondary Office; and Christopher Lund, Research, Planning, Evaluation and School Improvement, was director, Research, Planning and Evaluation.

Peter Davis becomes assistant superintendent, High Schools, was assistant superintendent, Secondary Schools.

Kelly An becomes director, Leadership Development, was instructional director/principal supervisor, Elementary/K-8 Office.

Cecilia Santos-Camerino was promoted to instructional director/principal supervisor, Elementary Schools, was principal coach, Leadership Development. David Zaid was promoted to director, Employee Relations and

Community Engagement, was principal, Stevenson.

Tom Malkus becomes instructional director/principal supervisor, Elementary Schools; was instructional director/principal supervisor, Secondary Schools. Kristi Kahl becomes senior instructional director/principal supervisor, Middle/K-8 Schools, was senior director, Leadership Development.

Promoted to principal are Mona Merlo, Sato, was assistant principal, Jordan/Lakewood/High School Office; Christopher Eckert, Burcham, was assistant principal, Roosevelt; Lester Lawson IV, Lowell, was assistant principal, Washington; Edward Sigur IV, Longfellow, was program specialist, OCIPD; Athena Uribe, Birney, was assistant principal, Lee; Shawn Abbate, Lakewood, was assistant principal, Stanford; Troy Bennett, Beach, was assistant principal, Hamilton; Alissa Gamboa, Los Cerritos, was assistant principal, Hill; Adilis Rose Vitetta, Emerson, was teacher on leave of absence;

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Camerino



Moskovitz

Long Beach Leads In Teacher Prep

A report from a national nonprofit group describes Long Beach as a model for teacher preparation in California.

“California State University Long Beach, Long Beach Unified School District and Long Beach City College offer the state’s most comprehensive example of district–higher education collaboration around teacher preparation,” reports the new publication, “Rethinking Teacher Preparation,” released by the Washington, D.C.-based research nonprofit Bellwether Education Partners.

Long Beach’s three main education institutions have created a pipeline that produces 70 percent of the school district’s new teachers, who graduate understanding the district’s expectations and approach, according to the report. The colleges and the school district work together to design teacher prep coursework, with Long Beach Unified teachers and administrators teaching courses at the college of education. Researchers found that the teacher attrition rate at LBUSD is nearly two-thirds lower than the national average for urban school systems.

The partnership among Long Beach’s education institutions is more than 20 years old and is part of a broader effort to create a seamless educational pipeline for Long Beach students from preschool through higher education. Key elements of this model, according to the report, are:

- Ongoing dialogue about what new teachers need and how to build that into the training experience;
 - Faculty members and administrators from LBUSD teach courses in Cal State Long Beach’s College of Education;
 - Some CSULB courses are offered on
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CAMS Ranks Highly On Newsweek List

The California Academy of Mathematics and Science has earned a spot on Newsweek’s list of America’s top 500 high schools.

Criteria included college enrollment rate, graduation rate, Advanced Placement enrollment, SAT scores, student retention and counselor-to-student ratio.

Newsweek provides two lists, each with 500 schools. The “absolute” ranking is based solely upon performance, while a “Beating the Odds” ranking controls for student poverty rates. CAMS made both lists, placing 78th on the absolute ranking, and 44th on the “Beating the Odds” ranking. The high school, run by LBUSD on the campus of Cal State Dominguez Hills, has a college-bound rate of 99.4 percent and has earned numerous national honors.

• New Assignments for This Fall

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and Michael Navia, Millikan, was principal, Marshall.

Reassigned to principal are Christi Granado, from Lincoln to Lee; Caroline Nemeč, from Lee to Lincoln; Sam Platis, from Lowell to Bixby; Thomas Espinoza, from Birney to Keller; Sophia Griffith, from Hill to Muir; Cheryl Cornejo, from Lakewood to Cabrillo; Jeff Cornejo, from Millikan to Reid; Alejandro Vega, from Cabrillo to Millikan; and Marie Hatwan, from Los Cerritos to Marshall. Yvette Streeter becomes principal at Stevenson; she was program administrator, Elementary Office.

Vanessa Davis is principal, Burbank; she was a personnel field specialist for Los Angeles Unified. Veronica Coleman is principal, Jordan; she returns to LBUSD after serving as principal at Animo College Preparatory High School in Los Angeles.

Earning promotion to assistant principal are Katira Hernandez, Roosevelt, was teacher, Whittier; Nicole Reyes, Hamilton, was teacher, Bancroft; Shannon Williams-Young, Nelson, was teacher on special assignment, Millikan; Margo Adkins-Jackson, Wilson, was teacher on special assignment, Cabrillo; Kelly Dale, Jordan, was teacher on special assignment, Lakewood; Liseeth Ramos, Lee, was teacher, Marshall; Beverly Moutet, Jordan, was teacher on special assignment, McBride; Donna Robinson, Lincoln, was program specialist, Burbank; and Tracy Fiala, Addams, was teacher on special assignment, OCIPD.

Reassigned to assistant principal are Juan Gonzalez, from Hudson to Smith/Hudson; Damon Sewell, from Hughes to Addams; Alma Black, from Nelson to Jefferson; Alissa Gamboa, from Hill to Hill/Hudson; Osvaldo Ocampo, from Lincoln to Washington; Beth Cohen, from Jefferson to Lakewood; Daniel

Jimenez, from Lakewood to Millikan; Angela Suttles, from Addams to Bancroft; Felicia Anderson, from Jordan to High School Office/Adult Education; Marcus Galbreath, from Bancroft to Hughes; Dorian Eveland, from Millikan to Wilson; and Alma Black, from Jefferson to Nelson.

Shannon Williams-Young is assistant principal, Nelson, was teacher on special assignment, Millikan. Edward Samuels is assistant principal, Jordan, was assistant director, OCIPD.

Mynor Montiel is assistant principal, Jefferson; he returns to LBUSD after serving as principal at Para Los Ninos in Los Angeles. Patrick Booker is assistant principal, Stanford; he was assistant principal at Animo College Preparatory Academy High School in Los Angeles.

Promoted to program administrator are Cynthia Bater, High School Office (Linked Learning), was administrative assistant, High School Office; and Elizabeth Worsham, OCIPD (K-12 Literacy), was program specialist, OCIPD. Jacqueline Lopez becomes program administrator, Head Start; she was an early childhood education consultant at LACOE.

Promoted to program specialist are Joyce Cox, Nursing Services, was nurse inspector, Nursing Services; Rhonda Haramis, International, was teacher on special assignment, International; Jennifer Crockett, OCIPD, was teacher on special assignment, OCIPD; Jennifer Rach, Burbank, was teacher, Garfield; Jandella Faulkner, OCIPD, was teacher on special assignment, OCIPD; and Ryan Ung, OCIPD (STEP Program), was teacher on special assignment, OCIPD.

Promoted to administrative assistant are Janelle Harmon, Human Resource Services, was teacher on special assignment, Elementary Office; Sherita Clemons, Elementary Office, was teacher on special assignment, Willard; Renee Shipman, High School Office, was teacher on special assignment, High School Office; and Kenneth Owens, Student Support Services, was counselor, Garfield. Renny Chu becomes administrative assistant, Middle/K-8 Office, was administrative assistant, Secondary Schools Office. Tomika Palmer becomes administrative assistant, High School Office; she was assistant principal, Wilson.

Judith Long was promoted to early learning center manager, Head Start/Early Head Start; she was Head Start family services supervisor. Promoted to head counselor are Spencer Barber, Jordan, was counselor, Jordan; Lolo Saldana, Millikan, was counselor, Millikan; and Charlton Spurlin, EPHS, was counselor, Cabrillo. Andrea Itson was promoted to activities specialist, Millikan; she was teacher, Millikan.

• Teacher Prep

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LBUSD school campuses, and co-taught by school district and university faculty;

- Faculty and administrators from the three institutions frequently collaborate to design and provide professional development for LBUSD faculty, and to revise coursework for preparation programs;

- Candidates complete highly structured field experiences in diverse, urban classrooms within LBUSD.

Because many of CSULB's teacher graduates attended K-12 schools in Long Beach, and completed higher education at LBCC and CSULB through partnerships with those institutions, they often have deep roots in the community, the report states. And because their training is tailored to the needs of the schools where they are likely to work, they are better prepared to succeed when they begin teaching. As a result of the partnership, Long Beach has increased teacher retention and reduced annual attrition rates to 7 percent (13 percentage points lower than the national average for urban school districts).

"These preparation partnerships are one component of LBUSD's integrated approach to cultivating teacher talent, including recruitment and hiring, certification/licensure, induction/retention, professional development, and accountability," the report notes. "The district offers a variety of programs and services to support these objectives, all rooted in research on high-quality professional development."

Go to bellwethereducation.org for the full report. Search for "Rethinking Teacher Preparation."

Future Administrators

Leadership Development will accept applications for the Future Administrators Program beginning Friday, Sept. 4. Certificated employees who hold a valid administrative services credential, have at least three years of teaching experience, and are interested in becoming an assistant/vice principal should apply online no later than 4:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18. Optional informational meetings are scheduled for Monday, Sept. 14 from 7:30 to 8 a.m. or 3:15 to 3:45 p.m. at the former Monroe site, Rm. D17 (4400 Ladoga Ave., Lakewood). Contact Kimberly Dueñas at kduenas@lbschools.net for more information. Learn more at lbschools.net under Leadership Development in the A-Z index.

Dates to Remember

September	
7	Library Card Sign-up Month
7	Labor Day
8	International Literacy Day
8	9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 2:00; 24 - 9:30, 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "School Bus Safety," Grades 3-5, ed.tv 8
9	8:00, 10:15, 11:30, 1:00, 2:00— "Native American Day," Grades K-3, ed.tv 8
10	9:30, 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "School Bus and the Exceptional Child K-12," Grades K-12, ed.tv 8
11	Patriot Day
11	10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "Beginning Responsibility: Learning to Follow Instructions," Grades 1-3, ed.tv 8
13-15	Rosh Hashanah
13	National Grandparents Day
15-16	Mexican Independence Days
15-Oct. 15	National Hispanic Heritage Month
15	9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 2:00— "Staying Out of Trouble With Your Friends (Duffy's Story)," Grades 3-4, ed.tv 8
16	Back To School Night—Elementary Schools
16	8:00, 10:15, 11:30, 1:00, 2:00— "Pocahontas," Grades 3-8, ed.tv 8
17	Citizenship Day
17-23	Constitution Week
17	9:30, 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "Ask For It," Grades 1-2, ed.tv 8
18	10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "Beginning Responsibility: A Lunch Room Goes Bananas," Grades K-3, ed.tv 8
22-23	Yom Kippur
22	9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 2:00— "Columbus," Grades 3-5, ed.tv 8
23	First Day of Autumn
23	8:00, 10:15, 11:30, 1:00, 2:00— "Christopher Columbus," Grades 2-8, ed.tv 8
25	10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "Getting to School Safely Is Your Job," Grades K-3, ed.tv 8
27-Oct. 4	Sukkot
29	Back To School Night—Middle Schools
29	9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 2:00— "Columbus Controversy: Challenging How History Is Written," Grades 7-12, ed.tv 8

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