



HOLMDEL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Holmdel School District Names Matt Kukoda as New High School Principal

(Holmdel July 14, 2021) – The Holmdel Township School Board voted Wednesday night to approve the appointment of Mr. Matt Kukoda as the district’s new high school principal. Kukoda assumes his new responsibility on July 15th. Please follow Mr. Kukoda on Twitter at [@Matt_KUKoda](https://twitter.com/Matt_KUKoda).

Kukoda, who served as Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction in the Wall Public Schools before becoming the Supervisor of Athletics, Health & Physical Education at Holmdel High School last year, brings extensive administrative and classroom experience to the position. He has a master’s degree in education from Seton Hall University and is currently a doctoral candidate at the same school.

“Since joining the district, Mr. Kukoda has distinguished himself by demonstrating highly effective leadership and professionalism. Matt’s leadership skills were particularly impressive given the challenges presented by the Coronavirus pandemic over the last year,” said School Board President Vicky Flynn following the board vote.

“He brings a new level of energy and competence to this position and we are confident that Mr. Kukoda will continue to meet our high expectations,” added Flynn.

Interim Superintendent Lee Seitz reviewed resumes of dozens of interested candidates for this position, but was continually drawn-back to Mr. Kukoda’s integrity, intelligence and energy, and his established reputation as a leader within the Holmdel school community who knows and is respected by our students, staff, and community.

“I’ve hired dozens of principals over the years, and rarely do you see someone so prepared to take the next step in his or her career,” said Dr. Seitz. “His strong grasp of educational issues, his experience working in Holmdel, and his willingness to make tough decisions made Matt the right candidate to lead the high school into its next half century of existence.”

“I’m excited to have this opportunity to give back to the Holmdel School community in a meaningful way, as principal of our high school. I thank the Board for their faith and confidence in my ability to lead this school, especially during this critical time as we emerge from this pandemic. I look forward to getting to work immediately and to start preparing our school for a successful 2021-22 school year,” said Matt Kukoda. The district has begun a search for a new Supervisor of Athletics, Health and Physical Education.

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