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New Principals and other Administrative Changes Announced for the Next School Year

LaGrange, Ga., – April 15, 2022 – Superintendent Brian Shumate is pleased to announce the following administrative changes for the 2022-2023 school year:

New Principals:

Hanna Beall

Hanna Beall is the current Instructional Specialist of Hogansville Elementary School, where she will remain and become the new principal.

Hanna's professional career has spanned over seventeen years—all in the Troup County School System, where she served as an elementary classroom teacher for six years and as an instructional specialist for the last eleven years. Her strengths in organizational and instructional leadership, as well her ability in forming relationships with stakeholders will serve as a great asset when working with the staff, students, and families at Hogansville Elementary.

Keneithia Cook

Keneithia Cook is the current Instructional Specialist of Berta Weathersbee Elementary School. She will be the new principal of West Point Elementary School.

Keneithia has ten years combined elementary and middle classroom teaching experience. Keneithia served in the capacity of Vice Principal at Modern Knowledge Schools in Manama, Bahrain for two years and currently serves as an instructional specialist with the Troup County School System. Her background, knowledge and talent for leading staff and students, as well the skills she has in instructional delivery and forming relationships with stakeholders will serve as strengths when working with the staff, students, and families at West Point Elementary.

Shannah Mabry

Shannah Mabry is the current Instructional Specialist of West Point Elementary School. She will be the new principal of Clearview Elementary School.

Shannah has ten years of middle classroom teaching experience. In addition to her teaching experience, Shannah has served as an instructional support specialist and instructional coach. Shannah currently serves as an instructional specialist with the Troup County School System. Her knowledge in the areas of teaching and learning, and the knowledge and skills she has in instructional delivery as well as establishing

relationships with stakeholders will serve as strengths when working with the staff, students, and families at Clearview Elementary.

Todd McRae

Todd McRae will be the new principal of Callaway Middle School.

Todd has seventeen years of educational experience. He served as assistant principal for a total of seven years at Mountain View Elementary and Greenville Middle School. Mr. McRae served as principal of Mountain View Elementary for four years and is currently the principal at Manchester High School. Mr. McRae's proven track record of success leading the school improvement process and building community stakeholder support in a variety of Title I schools will serve as strengths when working with the staff, students, and families at Callaway Middle School.

These candidates were recommended by Dr. Shumate and approved by the Troup County Board of Education at their April 14, 2022 school board meeting.

Principals on the Move:

Amy Thornton

Amy Thornton is the current principal at Callaway Middle School. She will become the new K -12 Liaison for the Troup County School System.

Lindsey Lynch

Lindsey Lynch is the current principal at Franklin Forest Elementary School. She will become the new Professional Learning Coordinator for the Troup County School System.

Retiring Principals:

Debra Brock, current principal at Clearview Elementary, is retiring after 30 years with the Troup County School System.

Jan Franks, current principal at West Point Elementary, is retiring after 29 years with the Troup County School System.

Gina Turner, current principal at Hogansville Elementary, is retiring after 32 years with the Troup County School System.

"I first want to thank and honor our outgoing principals for their service to TCSS. They have all done outstanding work and have served the students and families in TCSS for many years. We certainly wish them well in the next phases of their educational careers and lives.

I am also proud and excited to announce our new principals as they begin on their school leadership journey. They all have great backgrounds and experiences that have led them to the next and very important phase of their careers! I look forward to great things ahead!" Brian Shumate, Superintendent

About Troup County School System

Troup County School System is an accredited educational system with over 12,100 students in grades K-12. TCSS does offer a free Pre-K program at each elementary school. The system is comprised of eleven elementary schools, three middle schools, three high schools, one college and career academy, and one alternative learning center. Students within the school system are taught a rigorous and relevant curriculum that helps them make college and career choices beyond graduation and succeed in life. The system 2021 graduation rate is 85.9 percent. To learn more about the Troup County School System, visit troup.org and the Troup County School System Facebook page.

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