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### **NEW PRINCIPAL TO LEAD SCIOTO RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Olentangy Schools will welcome Patty T. Nyquist as principal of Scioto Ridge Elementary School beginning August 1, 2023, pending Board of Education approval at the April 25 meeting.

Former principal Melany Ondrus assumed the role of Assistant Director of Human Resources at Olentangy's administrative offices beginning January 2.

Ms. Nyquist joins Olentangy from the Ohio Department of Education where she is currently serving as the senior executive director for the Center for Continuous Improvement, supporting school districts around the state. This year rounds out Ms. Nyquist's 21st year in education, having held other administrative and teaching roles in Dublin City Schools, and positions at Battelle for Kids and the Ohio Education Association. Ms. Nyquist received her Bachelors in elementary education from Loras College, attended Ashland University for her bachelor's plus teacher licensure, received a master's degree at NOVA Southeastern University and her principal licensure from University of Dayton.

"We continue to be impressed by Ms. Nyquist's extensive experience and commitment to serving the Scioto Ridge Elementary community," stated Superintendent Mark T. Raiff. "Her approach for applying her knowledge to lead a high-functioning team to make an impact on student success directly correlates with our district vision to be the recognized leader for high performance and efficiency in education."

Upon acceptance, Ms. Nyquist shared, "I became an educator to make a positive impact in the lives of students and I'm excited to have the opportunity to do that alongside the families and staff of Scioto Ridge Elementary. I look forward to getting to know the students, families, and team at Scioto Ridge as we learn and grow together in the upcoming years. Each step of my interview process made me more certain that there is something special happening in Olentangy Schools and I'm extremely honored to be selected to serve in the principal role and be part of what makes Olentangy a great place for learners."

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