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**DATE:** March 12, 2013  
**SUBJECT:** CENTER GROVE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL ANNOUNCES RESIGNATION  
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CENTER GROVE, IN-- We regret to announce the resignation of Matt Shockley as Principal at Center Grove High School. Mr. Shockley told school staff, teachers and administrators today that he has been offered and has accepted a principal position at Avon High School and will work through the rest of the year.

Shockley, who arrived at Center Grove Community School Corporation nearly twelve years ago from Tipton High School, will begin his new job in July. It is anticipated that the Center Grove Board of School Trustees will approve his resignation during the Regular Board Meeting on March 21.

"We are disappointed that he is leaving but wish him well," said Superintendent, Rich Arkanoff. "It is hard to find an individual with such high moral character as Mr. Shockley. Matt has been a tremendous influence on the community and school. His dedicated leadership guided the High School to many great accomplishments."

During his tenure, Center Grove High School has been lauded for its high academic standards, excellent performing arts programs and successful athletic accomplishments. In 2012, U.S. News & World Report ranked Center Grove High School 1,209th in the country and 11th in Indiana.

Mr. Shockley joined the corporation in 2001 and served four years as assistant principal. In November 2004, he was named interim principal when Dr. Bill Long took a central office administrative position with the corporation. In April 2005, Mr. Shockley was named the high school's permanent principal.

Among his many awards and honors, Shockley received the State Principal of the Year (2009) from the Indiana Association of School Principals and the Administrator of the Year (2003) from the Indiana Association of Student Councils.

Center Grove is committed to finding a replacement for Mr. Shockley that fits the core values and mission of the corporation. The process for hiring a new principal will involve staff, parents and students. Details will be announced at a later date.

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