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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### Raytown School District announces three leadership positions for the 2024-25 School Year

(RAYTOWN, Mo.) At the Monday, April 15 Special Board of Education meeting, the Raytown Quality Schools Board of Education approved the hiring for three district leadership positions.



Laurie Boyd currently serves as the principal of Central Middle School where she has been since 2022. For the 2024-25 school year, she will move to a new school as the principal of Raytown South Middle School. Before coming to RQS she served as language arts teacher, school improvement facilitator, assistant principal and principal in Kansas City, Kansas Public School District. She was also an assistant principal in the Center School District. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Education and a Master's Degree in Educational Policy and Leadership, both from the University of Kansas.



Denise Barnes rejoins RQS as the principal of Northwood School. She comes to RQS from the Raymore-Peculiar School District where she is the Special Education Instruction Coach. She is no stranger to Northwood. She was a special education teacher at the school from 2015 to 2023. Before that Denise was a Special Education teacher at Westridge beginning in 2010. She has a Bachelor of Education in Special Education from the University of Central Missouri, a Master of Education in Special Education and a Master of Education in Educational Administration from Southeast Missouri State University.



Since 2013, Jackie Garmon has been the assistant principal of Central Middle School. For the 2024-25 school year, she will move to a new position at the school as principal. She came to RQS from the Independence School District where she was assistant principal of Bingham Middle School and Pioneer Ridge Middle School. Her previous experience includes being a middle school teacher in the Blue Springs School District for 15 years. She has a Bachelor Arts in Elementary Education from the University of Missouri, Kansas City, a Master of Arts in Teaching from Webster University and an Education Specialist in Administration/ Superintendency from the University of Central Missouri.

They will begin in their new roles in the district on July 1, 2024.

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