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Norwalk Board of Education Appoints Four New School Administrators and a Human Resources Director

Norwalk, Conn. (July 23, 2024) - The Norwalk Board of Education approved the appointment of two principals, two assistant principals and a new Human Resources Director for Norwalk Public Schools at a special meeting on Tuesday.

The new Human Resources Director for the district is Denise Altro-Dixon, Esq. She comes to Norwalk from Bridgeport where she served as the Executive Director of Human Resources for the public schools from 2020 to 2023.

Beth Furnari is the new principal of P-TECH Norwalk after serving as the interim principal since March 2024. The new principal of the South Norwalk Elementary School is Randall D. Austin, who most recently served as the assistant principal of Kendall College and Career Academy.

Moving into the assistant principal position at Kendall is Kayshawnia Torres, who most recently served as the assistant principal at Cranbury Elementary School. Maryann Murillo will continue as the assistant principal of Nathan Hale Middle School after serving in the position in the interim since March 2024.

For more information about each new appointment, please see below:

**Denise Altro-Dixon, Esq.
Human Resources Director**

Altro-Dixon joins Norwalk Public Schools with extensive background experience in human resources, labor relations, and family law. As the Executive Director of Human Resources for Bridgeport Public Schools, she directed a six-member team responsible for the functions of 38 schools that employed over 3,000 certified and non-certified employees.

To read her full bio, [please click here](#).

**Beth Furnari
Principal of P-TECH Norwalk**

Furnari joined Norwalk Public Schools in 2022 as the assistant principal of P-TECH Norwalk. Prior to her arrival in Norwalk, Furnari worked her way up through Bridgeport Public Schools from an English teacher to a curriculum specialist then later as an assistant principal and principal.

To read her full bio, [please click here](#).

Randall D. Austin
Principal of South Norwalk Elementary School

Austin comes to the South Norwalk campus after serving as assistant principal of Kendall College and Career Academy since 2022. He started his teaching career at Kendall in 2013, first serving as a kindergarten paraprofessional and later teaching kindergarten and fifth grade. Prior to his move to administration, he worked at Kendall as an enhanced curriculum teacher.

To read his full bio, [please click here](#).

Kayshawnia Torres
Assistant Principal of Kendall College and Career Academy

Torres previously served as the assistant principal of Cranbury Elementary School, but was named acting principal of the school for the latter half of the 2023-24 school year. She previously worked in Danville Virginia where she served as a principal and assistant principal for the primary grades.

To read her full bio, [please click here](#).

Maryann Murillo
Assistant Principal of Nathan Hale Middle School

Murillo finished the 2023-24 school year as the interim assistant principal of Nathan Hale Middle School. She's worked in the district for nearly 10 years, most recently working as an instructional math coach at P-TECH Norwalk.

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