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Leadership transitions announced at East Greenwich High School

EAST GREENWICH, R.I. – East Greenwich Public Schools is announcing upcoming leadership transitions at East Greenwich High School (EGHS) as Principal Patricia M. Page, PhD, MBA, and Assistant Principal Molly Sylvia, M.Ed., will be stepping away from their administrative roles at the end of the 2024-2025 academic year to return to their first passion: classroom teaching.

Dr. Page will remain at EGHS, where she will return to her roots in Career and Technical Education (CTE), while Ms. Sylvia will transition back to Narragansett High School to be closer to home. Their decision to return to the classroom is a testament to their dedication to student learning and a desire to make a direct impact on students' educational experiences.

“While this is a bittersweet transition, we are incredibly proud to support Dr. Page and Ms. Sylvia as they follow their hearts back to the classroom,” said Dr. Brian G. Ricca, Superintendent. “Their leadership has been instrumental in strengthening EGHS’s academic excellence, expanding career and technical education pathways, and fostering student-centered supports. We are grateful for their contributions and know that their passion for education will continue to make a difference.”

During their tenure, Dr. Page and Ms. Sylvia have played critical roles in advancing student success, deepening community partnerships, and ensuring EGHS remains one of the top-performing high schools in the state. Dr. Page looks forward to refocusing on key district initiatives, including budget modeling, construction and renovation planning, CTE program expansion, and alternative student learning programs.

“The success of EGHS is a testament to the dedication of our faculty, staff, students, and families, as well as the collaboration with the School Improvement Team, School Committee, and District Administration. We are confident that the systems and structures we have built will continue to support student success and school-wide growth under new leadership,” said Dr. Page. “It has been an honor to serve the East Greenwich High School community. As I transition to a new role within the district, I look forward to building upon our successes in our six Career and Technical Education programs. Part of my focus will be on strengthening industry and post-secondary partnerships, and expanding work-based learning opportunities for all students—

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including those with disabilities and diverse learning needs, to ensure equitable access to hands-on career experiences and skill development pathways that support successful postsecondary transitions.”

Ms. Sylvia, who previously served as Dean of Students at Narragansett High School, is excited to engage more deeply in curriculum development and student-centered learning.

"I am extremely proud of the work that the leadership team and faculty have achieved during my tenure at East Greenwich High School. Of note, being named the Best Attended High School in the state for the 23-24 academic year exceeded the School Improvement Team's attendance goal, and contributes to our five-star accountability rating. Moreover, the community partnerships forged with district parents during our Community Read of *The Anxious Generation*, and the dialogue associated with that group highlights our commitment and dedication to educational leadership and student well-being," said Ms. Sylvia. "As I reflect on my time here, I am filled with gratitude for the relationships we have built and the collective impact we have had on our students and school community. I have learned much from my time here, and look forward to sharing what I have learned upon my return to Narragansett High School."

To ensure a seamless transition, the district will be launching an external search for a new principal in the coming weeks. Once a new principal is in place, they will assist in recruiting and hiring a new assistant principal to continue the strong legacy of leadership at EGHS.

“We are incredibly grateful for Dr. Page and Ms. Sylvia’s dedication and leadership,” added Dr. Ricca. “Their impact on our school community remains clear, and we look forward to celebrating their achievements as they transition into these new roles.”

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