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MSD of Lawrence Township Announces 2025 Susan Jordan Administrator of the Year

The MSD of Lawrence Township is pleased to announce the 2025 Susan Jordan Administrator of the Year. Renamed in 2017 to honor the legacy of exceptional educator, Mrs. Susan Jordan, this year's award is presented to Mr. Carl Blythe of Mary Castle Elementary School.

Mr. Blythe has served as an administrator in the MSD of Lawrence Township at Mary Castle Elementary since 2016, first as assistant principal and then principal (2018). While at Mary Castle, he has implemented proactive, student-centered academic systems based on best practices in both instruction and servant leadership. His leadership has resulted in a culture of high expectations and academic achievement for all students. He holds previous teaching and administrative experience in both Lawrence Township and the MSD of Washington Township.

According to Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Shawn A. Smith:

The 2025 Susan Jordan Administrator of the Year represents Lawrence Excellence on all levels. Our winner is the definition of a servant leader, putting student development and well-being at the forefront of every educational decision. Carl is a young man of integrity and a focus on the right things. He has a thirst for knowledge, a commitment to excellence, a passion for children, and a willingness to do whatever it takes to be the best he can be. Mr. Carl Blythe is, without question, the 2025 Susan Jordan Administrator of the Year.

An Indianapolis native and Lawrence Central High School graduate, Blythe holds a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education with a minor in Technology Education from Ball State University (2011). He earned his Master of Arts in Educational Administration & Supervision from Ball State in 2013 and is a Doctoral student at Oakland City University.

The Susan Jordan Administrator of the Year program is sponsored by Horace Mann.

About the Metropolitan School District of Lawrence Township:

The fifth largest and fastest growing school district in the state, the MSD of Lawrence Township serves approximately 17,000 students across four Early Learning Centers, eleven Elementary Schools, two Middle Schools, two High Schools, a Center for Innovation and Technology, and an alternative setting high school. Lawrence Township strives to be the district of destination, a reputation built over the years based on the district's award-winning staff, accomplished administrators, high-achieving students, supportive community, and innovative educational programs. Visit our website at www.LTschools.org.