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School Board Approves Director of Dual Language

INDIANAPOLIS – This evening, the School Board of the Metropolitan School District of Lawrence Township approved the appointment of Ms. Edyza Deynes to the position of Director of Dual Language. Ms. Deynes will transition to this new position on July 1 from Sunnyside Elementary School, where she has served as the building principal since 2021. She has previous experience as an Assistant Principal, English as a New Language teacher, and Kindergarten teacher in the district.

According to Superintendent, Dr. Shawn A. Smith, “Ms. Deynes’ experience and intrinsic knowledge of language acquisition make her the ideal candidate to lead the district’s continually growing and high demand dual language program. I am confident both in her leadership and in her unwavering commitment to the families and students of our district.”

A native of Puerto Rico, Ms. Deynes attended Ball State University where she earned her bachelor’s degree in Elementary Education with a concentration in English as a New Language and a Spanish Minor. She holds a master’s degree in educational leadership from the IUPUI Urban Principal Program.

Regarding her new position, Deynes shares, “I look forward to expanding my role supporting bilingual education in the MSD of Lawrence Township and empowering all dual language learners to thrive academically, socially, and linguistically.”

Ms. Deynes and her husband, Mr. Sean Hise, are district residents and parents. They have three children, Maya (12), Michael (10) and Maverick (6).

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.