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Kelsey Anselmi Named Principal of Piper Middle School



Kansas City, Kan. — Piper USD 203 is proud to announce the appointment of Kelsey Anselmi as the new Principal of Piper Middle School.

An experienced and student-centered educational leader, Anselmi brings a strong background in instructional leadership, systems development, and cultivating positive school cultures where all students can thrive. Throughout her career, she has been deeply committed to maintaining high expectations, using data-driven decision-making, and creating systems that ensure every student feels supported, challenged, and valued.

Anselmi has served the past three years as Assistant Principal at Piper High School, where she has played an integral role in strengthening instructional practices, supporting staff development, and fostering a culture of excellence. Her leadership reflects a belief that strong relationships and clear systems are essential to student success.

Prior to moving into administration, Anselmi spent ten years as a teacher, including 4 years as middle school math teacher, 2 years as a high school math teacher and 4 years as an instructional coach at the middle and high school levels. She earned her Master's degree in Educational Leadership from Emporia State University after beginning her career in the classroom.

A graduate of Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas, Anselmi studied Secondary Mathematics while also completing a record-breaking basketball career. She still holds four school records for assists, demonstrating the competitive drive and teamwork that continue to define her leadership style today.

Anselmi believes middle school is a pivotal time in a student's development — a period to inspire confidence, resilience, and academic growth. She is passionate about fostering strong partnerships with students, staff, and families to build a culture rooted in excellence and opportunity.

"I am extremely honored to be named the next head principal of Piper Middle School," said Anselmi. "I look forward to meeting students, staff, and the community that help make Piper Middle School the best middle school in the country. Go Pirates!"

Anselmi is honored to continue serving the Piper community and looks forward to working alongside staff and families to build on the strong foundation of Pirate pride at Piper Middle School.

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