



Greetings Lake Myra families,

I am honored to be joining the Lake Myra community on March 1st as your new principal. Change can be exciting and challenging at the same time. I am eager to get to know you and your children as we begin working together to ensure that Lake Myra continues to be a place where everyone's potential is affirmed. In the days ahead, I look forward to working with the PTA on a "Meet the Principal" event. Please be looking for specific dates and times for us to gather as a community.

I come to Lake Myra with 23 total years of educational experience both in Maryland and North Carolina as a classroom teacher, literacy coach and assistant principal. Most recently I have served as assistant principal at Rolesville Elementary.

There are so many reasons I am excited about this opportunity to serve the Lake Myra family and surrounding community. I have always believed that building a strong, connected elementary school community sets the tone for what school can be for years to come. As a *Leader In Me* school, our culture of leadership, learning and service to others is perfectly aligned with the WCPSS vision to prepare our students to reach their full potential and lead productive lives in a complex and changing world.

These past two years have certainly challenged us in ways we never could have imagined. I am uplifted by the support you have shown your children, the staff and each other through this unprecedented time in education. It is my distinct privilege to partner with you in service to this community. Let us #BeTheLight as we continue sharing our best selves with each other in the days, weeks, months and years ahead.

With the children's interest at heart,

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