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Carmel Clay Schools Names Kim Barrett as Interim Principal of Towne Meadow Elementary

Carmel, IN – Carmel Clay Schools’ Board of Trustees has voted to appoint a familiar face to serve the role of interim principal of Towne Meadow Elementary. Kim Barrett, former principal of Smoky Row Elementary, was appointed to serve the role of interim principal, effective August 1, at the board meeting held July 24. Barrett will replace outgoing Towne Meadow Principal, Dr. Tim Phares, who was selected as the new principal of Creekside Middle School.

Mrs. Barrett has a career in education that spans 33 years. In 2017, she announced her retirement after serving eight years as principal of Smoky Row Elementary. She began her career as a kindergarten and first grade teacher in Lexington, KY and has served as assistant principal for Forest Dale Elementary and principal at Carmel Elementary.

Dr. Nicholas D. Wahl, Superintendent of Schools, recommended Mrs. Barrett’s appointment to the Board. “I would like to thank the parents and staff in helping us identify the leadership characteristics they would like to see in their next principal,” said Dr. Wahl. “Based on their feedback, they envision a student-centered leader who will be approachable, caring and one who exemplifies forward thinking and innovation. While the search for the principal position continues, I am pleased to recommend Kim as interim principal of Towne Meadow. Her exemplary experience and leadership within Carmel Clay Schools will continue to provide the necessary framework of support, stability and academic excellence that students, staff and parents have come to know at Towne Meadow.”



Mrs. Barrett thanked the Board and Superintendent Wahl in being selected for the interim position. “I take it as the highest compliment that I’ve been given the opportunity to come back to Carmel Clay Schools and serve the role as interim principal at Towne Meadow Elementary. I’m excited to begin working with a great group of dedicated professionals who have a passion for education and I’m looking forward to being a part of such a supportive community while the search to find a principal at Towne Meadow Elementary continues.”

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