



Date: **April 30, 2024**
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Subject: **Changes in Principal and Vice Principal Assignments for September 2024**

Background

Changes in school leadership are required, in part, due to the announced retirement of Jeanne Girard and the untimely and sudden passing of our beloved colleague, Daniela Mezzatesta.

In addition, each year at this time, Executive Council considers changes in school leadership, which will result in growth, both at the school and the system level. Experience and workload are also considerations in the annual review of the tenure and career path of our principals and vice principals. I want to express my thanks to those school administrators, who wrote to me to express their wishes for a change in assignment. As always, we have attempted to accommodate requests, where possible.

After careful consideration of the needs of our leaders and our school communities, I am pleased to report the following appointments:

Principal Placements:

- Liz Gibson, Principal, St. Ursula Catholic School, is appointed to Principal, Good Shepherd Catholic School;
- Mike Giroux, Principal, Good Shepherd Catholic School, is appointed to Principal, St. Elizabeth Catholic School;
- Jessica Verstraeten, Principal, St. Elizabeth Catholic School, appointed to Principal, Holy Rosary Catholic School;
- Lisa Walker, Principal, Christ The King Catholic School, is appointed to Principal, St. Joseph Catholic School, Tilbury;
- Angèle Monette, Vice Principal, St. Angela Merici Catholic School is appointed to Principal, Christ The King Catholic School;
- Sara Vadovic, Principal, Georges P. Vanier Catholic School, is appointed to Principal, St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic School;
- Kelly Tremblay, Acting Principal, Holy Trinity Catholic School, is appointed to Principal, St. John Fisher Catholic School.



Vice Principal Placements:

- Bev Vanier, Vice Principal, St. Anne Blenheim and St. Ursula Catholic Schools, is appointed to Vice Principal St. Anne Blenheim Catholic School (.7) and Monsignor Uyen Catholic School (.3);
- Mandy Guenette, Program Resource Teacher, St. John Fisher Catholic School, is appointed to Vice Principal, Holy Trinity Catholic School (.6);
- Alishia Thompson returns from maternity leave and is appointed to Vice Principal, St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic School;
- Josh Wright, Acting Vice Principal at St. Anne Blenheim is appointed to Acting Vice Principal, St. Angela Merici Catholic School.

I know our entire staff joins with me in wishing Jeanne God's blessings for a happy and healthy retirement; and in congratulating each of our school leaders on their appointments, as we wish them much continued success for the future.

These changes in assignment were announced to the system on April 11, 2024; and letters to parents/guardians were provided to principals in each school community with administrative changes for September 2024, on Friday, April 12, 2024.

Although these appointments have been previously announced, they are being brought to the Board of Trustees in this report, to form part of the permanent record of principal and vice principal assignments at St. Clair Catholic.

Recommendation

That the St. Clair Catholic District School Board receive the report: *Changes in Principal and Vice Principal Assignments for September 2024* for information.