

GREENWICH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Announcement

SUPERINTENDENT APPOINTS NEW LEBANON SCHOOL ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

(For immediate release: Thursday, September 2, 2010 – Greenwich, CT) Superintendent of Schools Dr. Sidney A. Freund announced this summer the appointment of Mr. Eugene Matejek as the Assistant Principal of New Lebanon School (NLS). Mr. Matejek is a skilled teacher and instructional leader, and he has had extensive experience and training in the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (IB-PYP). He has been working with New Lebanon School since they began their exploration into a magnet theme, as a member of the NLS Magnet Committee during the 2007-08 school year. In 2008, the first year of New Lebanon's implementation of the IB-PYP, he became their Intervention Specialist and IB Coordinator. He has worked closely with the staff and families of NLS in planning and executing the implementation of their magnet theme and in developing strategies for addressing the needs of struggling learners.

Mr. Matejek began teaching in 1998 at the Meeting House Hill School in New Fairfield, CT and after three years came to the Greenwich Public Schools in 2001 as a 3rd Grade Teacher at the International School at Dundee (ISD). In 2008, he moved to New Lebanon School as an Intervention Specialist and IB Coordinator. As a teacher at ISD, he served as a member of and Chair for the school's Strategic Improvement Team for three years from 2005-2008, led the curriculum committee for an IB Evaluation, and administered workshops on student portfolios and student-led conferences. He has been a sought after participant on District committees, including an initial exploration into the IB Middle Years Programme in 2003-04, the New Lebanon School Magnet Committee and currently, with the Transdisciplinary Units Development Committee. At NLS, Mr. Matejek is a member of the Strategic Improvement Team, an Instructional Data Team and the Student Assistance Team. As a School Learning Facilitator, he has planned and coordinated a school-wide Curriculum Carnival, and trained staff on web-based curriculum study programs and SMARTboard technologies. He has worked closely with the teachers in planning and developing units for the IB-PYP implementation, and in training staff and presenting to parents on the essential elements of the Primary Years Programme. Mr. Matejek has been a BEST (Beginning Educator Support and Training Program) teacher mentor and has also been trained in the State's new TEAM program – Teacher Education and Mentoring Program.

Mr. Matejek received a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology in 1997, a Masters of Arts in Teaching in 1999, and a Sixth Year degree in Administration in 2009 from Sacred Heart University, Fairfield, CT.