

GREENWICH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Announcement

SUPERINTENDENT APPOINTS

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL AT NEW LEBANON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

(For immediate release: August 7, 2013 – Greenwich, CT). Superintendent of Schools, Dr. William S. McKersie has announced the appointment of Klara Monaco as the new Assistant Principal of New Lebanon Elementary School. Ms. Monaco is currently the Interim Assistant Principal of the North Mianus Elementary School in the Greenwich Public School District.

Ms. Monaco began her teaching career as a special education teacher in an independent school specializing in working with children with special needs. She then transitioned to public education and joined the Greenwich Public Schools in 2009 as an Educational Evaluator. In that capacity, she worked in most of the schools in our district and is quite familiar with our faculty and programs. This past May, she became the Interim Assistant Principal at North Mianus Elementary School.

Dr. McKersie notes, “Ms. Monaco is a bright, well-organized, knowledgeable educator who has been particularly successful in working with special needs students. Her expertise, drive, and vision benefit all students and she will be an excellent partner for Mrs. Riccio, the Principal of New Lebanon. This position is an ideal opportunity for Ms. Monaco to combine her experience as an Interim Assistant Principal with her years as an evaluator, teacher leader, and her knowledge and experience of educational leadership.”

Sharon Turshen, the Assistant Director of Pupil Personnel Services who has worked closely with Ms. Monaco has said, “She is poised, confident, demonstrates good judgment, takes initiative, and is an excellent communicator.”

Ms. Monaco stated, “I am thoroughly excited by the opportunity to become a leader and collaborator, not only to the students at New Lebanon, but also to the teachers, staff, and parents at the school.”

Bio Brief:

As an Interim Assistant Principal and Educational Evaluator, Ms. Monaco has had responsibility for the supervision of K-5 programs including special education, classroom instruction, student supervision, hiring of staff, data interpretation, RTI training, and working with paraprofessionals.

Ms. Monaco received her B.A. Degree from Siena College, a Master’s Degree in Special Education from the College of New Rochelle, and a 6th Year Degree in Educational Leadership from Southern Connecticut State University.

In addition, Ms. Monaco was an Adjunct Professor at Albertus Magnus College in New Haven.

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