



Announcing Jason Lee Elementary School's New Principal Isaac Cardona



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Dear Lee Community,

I am pleased to announce Isaac Cardona as the new principal for Lee K-8 School. He is currently an assistant principal at Lee and succeeds Len Reed who will be the planning principal for the proposed Roseway Heights Middle School.

Isaac is a culturally diverse leader with a strong teaching and administrative background who also speaks conversational Spanish. He began his educational career more than a decade ago as a middle school English teacher and a program director in Texas. Isaac went on to serve as the executive director of an Oregon public charter school. He joined Portland Public Schools in 2015 as an assistant principal at Lee.

Always guided by an equity lens, Isaac approaches school behavior management in a balanced manner. While at Lee he launched new restorative practices that kept more students in class learning and growing.

He looks forward to joining students, parents and teachers at Lee to preserve a strong sense of community. Isaac is excited about continuing to strengthen a number of Lee's initiatives including the TAG, AVID, and SUN programs, and its athletic partnerships with Madison. He is also eager to be a part of the school's daily circles and morning meetings to create collaborative community classrooms.

Isaac is the busy father of a one-year old and in his spare time, he runs marathons, is an avid reader, and enjoys hiking around Portland.

Please join me in congratulating Jason Lee Elementary School Principal Isaac Cardona and wishing Len Reed well in her new assignment.

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