Announcing Portland Public Schools’ new Senior Director Kristie Lindholm

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Dear PPS Families and Staff,

I am pleased to announce that Kristie Lindholm will become a Senior Director in the Office of School Performance on July 1.

An educator for 28 years and a school administrator for the last 15, Kristie brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the position. She has been with PPS since 2007, having served as principal of both Rigler and Creative Science schools.

During her time with PPS Kristie has improved student achievement by increasing instructional rigor and assessment practices, narrowing opportunity and achievement gaps and collaborating with parent groups.

While principal at Creative Science Kristie has been successful in deepening the focus, understanding and implementation of constructivist education. She developed a school-wide culture of mindful practice, and designed systems that enhanced a positive school climate by focusing on a “community of care.”

In her previous role as principal at Rigler Kristie expanded the Spanish dual language program, adopted restorative-justice practices to shape the school’s culture and developed relationships with the Rigler community, giving a voice to its parents.

Core elements of Kristie’s work include being bilingual (She speaks fluent Spanish) and an emphasis on mental health. Before joining PPS, she was a teacher and administrator in a number of schools in the Los Angeles area. She taught in and led Title I, Magnet, Charter and Dual Language schools.

In her spare time Kristie enjoys metalsmithing, sailing with her husband and travelling.

Please join me in welcoming Kristie Lindholm to the PPS Office of School Performance.

Antonio Lopez
Assistant Superintendent
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