

# Announcing Sabin Elementary School's New Principal Reiko Williams



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Dear Sabin Community,

I am pleased to announce Reiko Williams will be the next principal for Sabin K-8. She is currently an assistant principal at Rosa Parks Elementary. Reiko succeeds Andrew Dauch who is taking another assignment with Portland Public Schools.

With a focus on valuing all students' unique experiences, learning styles and input, Reiko helped lead the development of culturally relevant curriculum and teaching practices for emerging bilingual students. She guided the implementation of restorative justice strategies and launched peer-mentor and peer-tutor programs at the school. She also established a Student Council on Behavior at Rosa Parks, giving students a voice in important decisions at the school.

Reiko joined Portland Public Schools in 2008 as a manager with the Family and Community Engagement department. She also worked a program director with the Office of School Operations and Support.

Eager to join the Sabin community, Reiko looks forward to working with its students, families and teachers to identify a common set of student-centered principles that will guide decision-making, and contribute to a vibrant culture where all students thrive.

In addition to being a busy mom with two grown children and a 5th grade daughter who attends a PPS school, Reiko is working toward completing her doctorate in educational leadership.

Please join me in congratulating Sabin Elementary Principal Reiko Williams, and wishing Andrew Dauch well in his new duties with PPS.

Carole Smith
Superintendent

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