



Announcing Woodmere Elementary School's New Principal Katherine Polizos



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Dear Woodmere Community,

I am pleased to announce Katherine Polizos as the new principal for Woodmere Elementary School. She is currently an assistant principal at Kelly, and succeeds René Canler who is now the principal at Ockley Green Middle School.

Katherine joined PPS in 2005 as an ESL teacher at Markham and Grout. She has experience at Bridger as an ESL teacher, reading support coach and school improvement specialist. In 2013, she was named assistant principal at Kelly.

While at Kelly, a diverse school with a Russian Immersion program, Katherine facilitated the formation of a school climate team that supported social emotional learning and built practices around Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS). These initiatives, which also included mindfulness and restorative justice, reflected the Kelly community's commitment to student growth and well-being.

Eager to become part of a strong community, Katherine looks forward to working with families, students, and teachers to build on Woodmere's dedication to meeting the individual needs of each student.

Katherine's artistic outlets include bookmaking, drawing, and ceramics. She also enjoys hiking, camping, and kayaking with her teenage son.

Please join me in congratulating Woodmere Elementary School Principal Katherine Polizos and wishing René Canler well in his new assignment.

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