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Announcing new Director of Early Learners, Emily Glasgow

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Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce that Emily Glasgow will become the new Director of Early Learners. In this vital position, Emily will lead the district's transformational work on behalf of our youngest students, from birth through third grade.

Emily has an abiding commitment to Portland Public Schools. A Portland native, she graduated from Lincoln High School, and she has two children who attend school in PPS. She will move into the central office from Lewis Elementary School, where she has served as principal since 2017 after moving from Vestal K-8, where she was principal from 2013 to 2017.



Emily Glasgow

At both Lewis and Vestal, Emily implemented Equity Based Balanced Literacy, Response to Intervention (RTI), Positive Behavior Intervention & Support (PBIS) and a transition toward inclusive practices. She is ever curious and a systems thinker who is deeply committed to equity.

Before she moved back to Portland, Emily served as a principal in Boston for seven years, building an inclusive PK-8 school from a traditional K-5 elementary. She started her education career as a third-grade teacher in Oakland, Calif.

Emily earned a Bachelor of Arts in Law, Jurisprudence and Social Thought from Amherst College, and a Master of Education from Harvard. She is completing a Doctor of Education at Lewis & Clark College.

In her new position, Emily will develop and implement a high quality, developmentally appropriate learning progression for PK-3 students. She also will oversee PPS's Head Start and preschool programs. Emily will work within the Office of Teaching and Learning and report to Leslie O'Dell, Senior Director of Funded Programs and Early Learners.

Please join me in congratulating Emily.

Luis Valentino Chief Academic Officer

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