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Announcing new principal at Sellwood, Jeandré Carbone

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Dear Sellwood Community,

I am pleased to announce that Jeandré Carbone will be the new principal at Sellwood Middle School. Jeandré is a systematic, goals-based leader who is known for a positive attitude and community building. She is an experienced educator who has taught around the world and has been in Portland Public Schools for 13 years.

She will succeed Karl Newsome, who served as Sellwood principal for two years. We thank Karl for his dedication and hard work.

Jeandré has been the principal at Lane Middle School for three years, guiding a Title I school through several transitions, including co-locating ACCESS Academy's 6-8 graders within the campus. Under her leadership, Lane established a site council to shape the school's future and a leadership team to guide instructional change and strengthen Lane's AVID program. She led Lane's equity team, providing professional development to target eliminating the effects of institutional racism.

In PPS, Jeandré also served as vice principal at Benson High School for five years; was the program administrator for an adolescent literacy program; and was an instructional coach at Roosevelt High School.

Before she entered into education, Jeandré was a Peace Corp volunteer in the Dominican Republic for two years. As a teacher, she has taught in New York City, Turkey, Venezuela and Santa Barbara, Calif. She is proficient in Spanish.

Jeandré earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design from the California Institute for the Arts, and a Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages from Columbia University, where she was awarded a Peace Corp Fellowship. She is a fitness enthusiast who enjoys camping and hiking with her husband and their dog.

Please join me in welcoming Principal Carbone to Sellwood Middle School.

Keeley Simpson
Area Assistant Superintendent



Jeandré Carbone

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