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## Announcing New Principal at ACCESS, Anthony Bromberg

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Dear ACCESS Community,

I am pleased to announce that Anthony Bromberg, a veteran educational leader, will be the new principal at ACCESS Academy in the 2021-22 school year.

He will succeed Ginger Taylor, who is retiring after 17 years in Portland Public Schools, including the last two as ACCESS principal. We thank Ginger for her dedication and wish her the best.

Anthony believes in a partnership paradigm of education where everyone's growth is central. He believes in centering culturally-responsive, trauma-informed restorative practices, personalized learning and literacy development for all students. He comes to ACCESS from Texas' Austin Independent School District, where he has served as an assistant principal the last five years at the elementary and middle school levels.



Anthony Bromberg

Guided by his devotion to equity, Anthony emphasized restorative practices in behavior management. He helped Mendez Middle School reduce out-of-school suspensions by 30% for sixth-graders in one year, and hit five-year lows in discipline referrals at Murchison Middle School. As chair of the Language Proficiency Access Committee, he helped improve systems, resulting in 70% of English learners advancing at least one level of the state's English proficiency system. Last year, he served as summer school principal of Austin's North Region, helping to create a virtual program for more than 900 PK-4 students in bilingual and English language classrooms.

Anthony started his career as an English Language Arts teacher, serving at the middle school level for seven years before moving to Akins High School, where he served as department lead and Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) facilitator. He was awarded the Superintendent's Award for Excellence for preparing students for college and career readiness through SEL instruction and creative events such as Focus on Your Future Day, and Digital You.

Anthony earned a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature, with an emphasis on Creative Writing, from the University of California, Los Angeles; and a Master of Education, with a Principalship emphasis, from the University of Texas at Austin.

Please join me in welcoming Principal Bromberg to ACCESS.

Shawn Bird, Ed.D.  
Chief of Schools

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