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## Announcing New Interim Principal at Scott, José Salinas

Dear Scott Community,

I am pleased to announce that José Salinas, a familiar face to many of you, will be the new interim principal at Scott Elementary School.

He succeeds Megan McCarter, who has been Scott's principal since 2018. We thank Megan for her dedication and hard work and wish her the best in her new role as executive director of the Northwest Regional Education Service District.

José has been at Scott since 2017 and moved into administration as Megan's assistant principal in October 2020. In that role, he worked to establish positive relationships with parents and families, drafted and tracked implementation of the School Improvement Plan, and led staff professional development.

Before that, he served as a Spanish immersion teacher for grades 4 and 5 at Scott. He instituted culturally responsive systems of support to engage students with high behavioral needs, served on the equity committee and site council/parent advisory committee, and was head of the instructional leadership team.

Before joining Portland Public School, José worked at Beaverton's Barnes Elementary School, first as a SHINE Site supervisor (a program akin to PPS's SUN program) where he helped connect families to resources and provided extended day programming, and then as an instructional assistant supporting Barnes'



immersion classrooms. José earned a Bachelor of Art and Master of Education from Portland State University.

Please join me in congratulating Principal Salinas.

Shawn Bird, Ed.D  
Chief of Schools

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