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Announcing Astor School's new principal Sarah Zabel

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Dear Astor School Community,

It is with great pleasure that I announce Sarah Zabel as the new Principal for Astor School. Sarah is currently the Principal at Skyline K-8, where she has served since 2015.

Sarah earned her Bachelor's degree in elementary and special education and her master's degree in literacy studies from the University of Nevada, Reno. A classroom teacher for nine years, Sarah taught first through fourth grades and special education in schools in Nevada and Beaverton before becoming a student management supervisor in 2010. She joined PPS in 2013 as an assistant principal at Peninsula K-8 before shifting to the assistant principal position at Beverly Cleary in 2014, and then the principal position at Skyline in 2015.

Sarah's leadership style is collaborative, positive, supportive, and compassionate. She believes in taking the time to listen to all voices and applying an equity lens when making decisions.



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Her background in special education forged her commitment to supporting all students behaviorally and academically. Sarah considers visiting the classrooms the highlight of her job, and you will see her throughout the school as she works to use her extensive instructional background to promote high achievement and learning opportunities for all students, and to build relationships with students, families and staff.

Sarah loves the Pacific Northwest, being outdoors, attending Timbers and Thorns games, and going on hikes with her family. She is an avid reader, a lifelong learner and a dog enthusiast. Her two rescue dachshunds, Snoopy and Carson, are also important family members who keep Sarah smiling every day.

Please join me in congratulating Sarah in her new assignment as the Principal for Astor School.

Bob McKean (Superintendent

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