



Nippersink SD 2

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To the Nippersink School District Family,

It is my pleasure to introduce Mrs. Michelle Smith as the next Principal of Richmond Grade School.

Mrs. Smith was selected from a pool of over 20 highly qualified candidates. Following the initial screening process, interviews were conducted by a team that included district and building administrators, teachers, paraprofessionals, PTO representatives and members of the Board of Education. At the conclusion of those interviews, it was clear Mrs. Smith possessed a collaborative leadership style which would continue to support District 2's mission of meeting the diverse needs of all students.

Mrs. Smith comes to Richmond Grade School from District 300 in Algonquin with over 17 years of experience in education. During the past five years, Mrs. Smith served as the principal of Lake in the Hills Elementary School.

Mrs. Smith received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Education and Literacy from National-Louis University. In addition, she has a Master of Arts in Curriculum and Instruction and Master of Arts in Educational Leadership, both from the American College of Education.

Mrs. Smith is looking forward to continuing to grow a positive school culture while ensuring that the needs of all students are met and she is excited to meet the entire school community. Mrs. Smith will be hosting "Popsicles with the Principal" on Thursday, August 4th from 3:00 - 4:00 pm at Richmond Grade School. This will be a great opportunity to meet and talk with our new principal. We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

Dr. Tom Lind
Superintendent of Schools