



Date: **June 20, 2023**
Prepared by: **Scott Johnson, Director of Education**
Subject: **Changes in Principal and Vice Principal Assignments for September 2023**

Background

Due to changes in school administration for September 2023, some additional changes in principal and vice principal appointments are required. Stacy Shepley has requested and been approved for a one-year leave; and Courtney Mellow has decided to step away from school leadership. After much prayer and reflection, and for personal reasons, Courtney looks forward to returning to the classroom in September.

As a result, I am announcing the following changes in assignment.

- Jessica Verstraeten, currently Vice Principal at St. Patrick's Catholic High School has been appointed to Acting Principal at St. Elizabeth Catholic School;
- Ryan Hare, currently Vice Principal at St. Matthew and Holy Trinity Catholic schools is appointed to Vice Principal at St. Patrick's Catholic High School;
- Pat O'Neil, currently a Phys. Ed. itinerant at St. Peter Canisius and St. John Fisher Catholic schools has been appointed to Acting Vice Principal at St. Matthew Catholic School (.7) and Acting Vice Principal at St. Joseph Catholic School, Corunna (.3).

Please join with me in congratulating these outstanding Catholic leaders as they assume their new assignments in school administration; and in thanking both Stacy and Courtney for their tremendous past contributions to school leadership. We wish them God's blessings as they step away from leadership at this time.

These changes have already been announced to the system; however, they are being brought forward in this report to the Board, to form part of the permanent record of principal and vice principal appointments.

Recommendation

That the St. Clair Catholic District School Board receive the report: *Changes in Principal and Vice Principal Assignments for September 2023* **for information.**