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Tully School Board Selects New Superintendent of Schools

The Tully Central School District Board of Education is pleased to announce that Darcy L. Woodcock, Ed.D., has been selected as the new superintendent of schools.

Woodcock, 44, a native of Central New York, currently serves as the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction in the Westhill Central School District. Pending the successful completion of contract negotiations, she is expected to begin her new position in Tully on or around Nov. 28.

After a rigorous search process, members of the Tully Board of Education voted unanimously for Woodcock at its meeting on Oct. 12. Board President Andrea Mourey said the interview process pointed directly to Woodcock as an "excellent choice" for leading Tully schools.



"Dr. Woodcock is the precise match for what the faculty, staff, students, and community identified in their recent survey," Mourey said. "She brings the perfect blend of leadership, education, and compassion to our community. On behalf of the Board of Education, I am extremely pleased to welcome Dr. Woodcock to the home of the Tully Black Knights!"

Woodcock said she was thrilled to be selected.

"I am honored to serve the students, families, and staff members of the Tully Central School District," she said. "I look forward to a smooth transition and the opportunity to build strong relationships with the entire community."

Woodcock comes to Tully schools with more than 20 years of experience in education.

Her role as an Assistant Superintendent in Westhill began in July 2020. Previously, she served as Director of Professional Development for Syracuse City Schools from 2019-2020 and as Principal of Liverpool Elementary School from 2012-2018.

During her role as principal, Woodcock supervised a "K-6 Math Cabinet" charged with improving the curriculum, instruction, and assessment practices for K-6 teachers across the Liverpool Central School District. She also served as an assistant principal for OCM BOCES' Regional Summer School at Fayetteville-Manlius High School from 2009-2011.

Her initial teaching experiences began in Florida, where she worked for three years as a primary teacher in New Port Richey. Later, after moving back to Central New York, she worked for eight years as a sixth-grade math and science teacher at Eagle Hill Middle School in the Fayetteville-Manlius Central School District.

Her educational experience includes a bachelor's degree in elementary science education and special education from SUNY Geneseo; a master's degree in literacy from SUNY Oswego; a Certificate of Advanced Study (CAS) from SUNY Oswego; and a doctorate in Educational Administration and Leadership from the Riley College of Education and Leadership from Walden University in Minneapolis.

Woodcock grew up in Central New York and graduated from Cicero-North Syracuse High School. She and her husband, Brett Woodcock, the Executive Principal at Liverpool High School, have three children.

The Tully Board of Education launched a nationwide search for a new superintendent in July with assistance from Matt Cook, Ed.D., District Superintendent of the Onondaga-Cortland-Madison (OCM) BOCES. The search included a community survey that helped the Board of Education establish priorities for the desired qualities in a suitable candidate. The search also included interviews and meetings among a variety of district stakeholder groups.

Woodcock will replace Michael Hoose, a retired Cortland schools superintendent who has served as interim superintendent in Tully since July. The Board appointed Hoose after former superintendent Robert Hughes became deputy superintendent to assist with the leadership transition in the district.

Members of the Board of Education would like to thank everyone in the district and in the Tully community who offered their time and input into this important decision.

"In the months ahead, please join us in supporting Dr. Woodcock as we, as a community, begin this new chapter for Tully schools," Mourey said.