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Superintendent appoints Executive Director of Special Education, and principals of Nathan Hale High School and Madison Middle School

Seattle – Superintendent Maria L. Goodloe-Johnson, Ph.D., announced the appointment of Ms. Marni Campbell as the Executive Director of Special Education for Seattle Public Schools. In this key leadership role, Ms. Campbell will oversee delivery of services to students with special needs, including implementation of a service delivery model that focuses on integrated comprehensive services. One of the major strategies of the district's strategic plan, *Excellence for All*, is to implement national best practices in serving students with special needs. In an integrated comprehensive services model, general education and special education teachers work together to support students with a range of differing needs.

In addition, Superintendent Goodloe-Johnson announced the appointments of Dr. Jill Hudson as principal of Nathan Hale High School and Mr. Henterson Carlisle as interim principal of Madison Middle School. All three appointments are effective immediately. "The three appointments that I am announcing today are great examples of how we continue to strengthen leadership across our system," said Dr. Goodloe-Johnson.

Ms. Campbell has extensive successful school leadership experience, having worked with Seattle Public Schools for nine years. She served as principal for Nathan Hale High School for two years and Eckstein Middle School for four years. Ms. Campbell also taught at Lakeside School for two years and at Shoreline and Edmonds community colleges.

Ms. Campbell possesses the strong administrative skills and leadership vision that are critical for managing the implementation of integrated services for special education. During her tenure at Nathan Hale and Eckstein, Ms. Campbell created very successful inclusion programs that serve as excellent models for integrated services at middle schools and high schools. Ms. Campbell will work closely with principals, teachers, staff and families to ensure outstanding delivery of services to students with special needs.

"I am very pleased to appoint Marni Campbell as Executive Director of Special Education," said Superintendent Goodloe-Johnson. "Ms. Campbell brings proven successful experience in integrated services, a passion for serving students with special needs, and strong leadership and administrative skills to this role. In addition, Ms. Campbell is a well respected leader and has demonstrated her ability to work in partnership with staff, families and administrators to serve all students. I know that she will be an excellent leader as we continue the work of transforming and improving the ways in which we provide services to students with special needs."

Dr. Hudson has been a facilitator for the Coalition of Essential Schools Northwest Center and has worked in Seattle Public Schools, and in the Everett, Shoreline and Maple Valley school districts. She has served as principal at Madison Middle School, a "School of Distinction," for eight years and previously as assistant principal and principal of Kellogg Middle School in the Shoreline School District for three years. Dr. Hudson also led the design, planning and implementation of the major historical renovation of Madison Middle School which means she has the skills and experience needed to lead the successful completion of the Nathan Hale Building Excellence III construction project.

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Mr. Carlisle has worked in Seattle Public Schools as an assistant principal and teacher for eleven years and has four years of administrative experience, including two years as the assistant principal at Madison Middle School. He was an assistant principal and teacher at the African American Academy for five years and at Madrona K-8 for three years. Mr. Carlisle is an excellent instructional leader and effective team-builder, establishing strong family and community relationships that engage all stakeholders.

"We are fortunate to have strong leaders, in Dr. Jill Hudson and Mr. Henterson Carlisle, available to step into the principal roles at Nathan Hale High School and Madison Middle School," said Superintendent Goodloe-Johnson. "Dr. Hudson's many years of experience as a facilitator for the Coalition of Essential Schools Northwest Center means that she has the knowledge and vision needed to continue and build on the excellence offered at Nathan Hale, which is a member of the Coalition of Essential Schools. Mr. Carlisle has served as assistant principal at Madison for two years, contributed to work that resulted in designation of Madison as a 'School of Distinction,' and is known as a strong instructional leader and effective team-builder."

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