

**BEMIDJI AREA SCHOOLS  
BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA**

**DATE** : AUGUST 15, 2022

**TO** : BOARD OF EDUCATION

**FROM** : JORDAN HICKMAN, DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES

**SUBJECT** : CERTIFIED STAFF APPOINTMENTS

**COMMENTS:**

Due to a resignation, a vacancy exists for an English teacher at Bemidji Middle School. Ms. Josephine Davis is recommended for this position. Ms. Davis received her Bachelor's degree from Bemidji State University. She has been placed at a BA step 0 on the salary schedule.

Due to movement of current staff, a vacancy exists for a special education teacher at Bemidji High School. Ms. Danielle Kent is recommended for this position. Ms. Kent received her Bachelor's degree from Park University. She was previously a long term substitute teacher and special education paraprofessional with Bemidji Area Schools. She has been placed at BA+10 step 0 on the salary schedule.

A new additional position was approved for a homebased/homebound teacher. Ms. Trina Liapis has been recommended for this position. Ms. Liapis received her Bachelor's and Master's degree from Bemidji State University. She previously taught in Blackduck School District. She has been placed at MA20 step 10 on the salary schedule.

Due to an extended leave of absence, a vacancy exists for an elementary education teacher at Gene Dillon Elementary School. Mr. Tyler McNamara is recommended for this position. Mr. McNamara received his Bachelor's degree from Bemidji State University. He previously taught in Northome, MN. He has been placed at BA step 1 on the salary schedule.

Due to a resignation, a vacancy exists for an art teacher at Horace May and Solway Elementary Schools. Ms. Jerianne Moen has been recommended for this position. Ms. Moen completed her Bachelor's and Master's degrees from South Dakota State University. She previously taught as a substitute teacher in Bagley School District. She has been placed at MA step 4 on the salary schedule.

Due to movement of current staff, a vacancy exists for a special education teacher at Bemidji Middle School. Ms. Laurelie Priewe is recommended for this position. Ms. Priewe received her Bachelor's degree from St. Cloud State University. She was previously a special education paraprofessional with Bemidji Area Schools. She has been placed at BA step 1 on the salary schedule.

Due to movement of current staff, a vacancy exists for a school counselor teacher at Bemidji High School. Ms. Megan Reeves is recommended for this position. Ms. Reeves received her Bachelor's degree from Bemidji State University and Master's degree from Capella University. She previously worked at St. Mary's Mission School in Red Lake, MN. She has been placed at MA step 2 on the salary schedule.

Due to a retirement, a vacancy exists for a mathematics teacher at Bemidji Middle School. Ms. Kaylee Schafbuch is recommended for this position. Ms. Schafbuch received her Bachelor's degree from Crown College. She previously taught as a substitute teacher. She has been placed at BA step 0 on the salary schedule.

Due to a resignation, a vacancy exists for a .80 FTE Early Childhood Teacher at the Paul Bunyan Center. Ms. Kathryn Smith has been recommended for this position. Ms. Smith received her Bachelor's degree from Bemidji State University. She most recently taught at Global Academy in New Brighton, MN. She has been placed at a BA step 8.

Due to a resignation, a vacancy exists for a special education teacher at the Alternative Education Center. Ms. Lynn Snyder is recommended for this position. Ms. Snyder received her Bachelor's degree from the University of North Dakota and Master's degree from Concordia University. She previously taught at Duluth Edison Charter School Norther Star Academy. She has been placed at MA step 8 on the salary schedule.

Due to a resignation, a vacancy exists for a science teacher at Bemidji Middle School. Ms. Lara Thomason is recommended for this position. Ms. Thomason received her Bachelor's degree from Northern State University. She previously taught in Kelliher School District and in Tonapah, AZ. She has been placed at BA step 10 on the salary schedule.