

**LEVELLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Whenever an employee resigns or retires from the District, the administration considers each position being vacated before filling that position.

The Board of Trustees approved amending board policy DC(LOCAL) at the April 15, 2021 board meeting, to delegate authority to the Superintendent to hire all professional staff with the exception of administrative positions in order to secure a teacher, diagnostician, LSSP, counselor, therapist, school nurse, etc. at the earliest possible date instead of having to wait until the next board meeting for Board approval and risk losing these hires in the interim.

The Superintendent has approved the hiring and contracts for the following professionals:

Randi Vidales (effective 01/05/26)	LMS	6 th Grade Math Teacher	Professional Probationary Contract with Addendum
John Hope (effective 01/05/26)	LHS	ART Teacher	Professional Probationary Contract with Addendum
Liliana Jimenez Cuello (effective 01/05/26)	LHS	English Teacher	Professional Probationary Contract
John Black (effective 1/12/26)	LHS	English Teacher	Professional Probationary Contract with Addendum
Christian Carter (effective 01/12/26)	LHS	English Teacher / Boy's Coach	Professional Probationary Dual- Assignment Contract

BOARD ACTION REQUIRED
None