

The interview committee consisting of Renota Rogers, Jennie Mathesen, Connie Sisneros, Nikki Murphy, Michelle Rhodes, Amanda Kendrick, Ashley Carroll, and Dr. Lisa Adams interviewed for the position of Executive Director of Elementary Education on February 21, 2023, and selected Dr. Sara Watson as the lone finalist for the position.

Dr. Watson graduated from Evangel University in 1999 with a Bachelor of Social Work. She graduated with a Master of Education in Educational Administration from Tarleton State University in 2005 and a Doctor of Educational Leadership degree in 2021 from the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. Dr. Watson has served as a teacher, AVID Coordinator, Campus Instructional Specialist, Assistant Principal, and is currently the Principal of Reeces Creek in Killeen ISD. She also served as a campus principal in Pflugerville ISD.

Dr. Watson has been married to her husband Joshua Watson for 25 years. Joshua was a member of the Army Band, which is how they made their way to Texas. Together they have two sons, Christian, who is 16 and attends Hendrickson High School in Pflugerville ISD, and Judah, a 5th grader at Murchison Elementary in Pflugerville. Both boys love to play soccer, which is where the family spends most of their time on the weekends. In her free time, Dr. Watson enjoys reading, watching movies, hiking, and watching her boys play soccer. She and her husband pastor a small church in Hutto, which they launched eight years ago.

Dr. Watson believes that a child's education can change their life, and that happens from the time they enter school at age four. She is excited to have a direct voice and influence with the instructional work of Temple ISD which already has a strong reputation with the community.

It is with great pleasure that the interview committee recommend Dr. Sara Watson to the board of trustees for approval for the position of Executive Director of Education in Temple ISD.