

**BEMIDJI AREA SCHOOLS
BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA**

DATE : OCTOBER 21, 2024
TO : BOARD OF EDUCATION
FROM : JORDAN HICKMAN, DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES
SUBJECT : CERTIFIED STAFF APPOINTMENT

COMMENTS:

A new additional position was approved for a Kindergarten teacher at Lincoln Elementary School. Ms. Katherine Brandt is recommended for this position. Ms. Brandt received her Bachelor's degree from Luther College and Master's degree from Augustana College. She previously taught at Bemidji Area Schools and was most recently a substitute for Teachers on Call. She will be placed at MA step 11 on the salary schedule.

Due to a resignation, a vacancy exists for a School Social Worker in the McKinney-Vento program. Ms. Eileen Huggins is recommended for this position. Ms. Huggins received her Bachelor's degree from Minnesota State University Moorhead and Master's degree from the College of St. Scholastica. She previously worked at Essentia Health in Duluth, MN. She will be placed at MA step 7 on the salary schedule.

Due to a resignation, a vacancy exists for a Special Education Teacher at Bemidji High School. Ms. Rima Smith-Keprios is recommended for this position. Ms. Smith-Keprios received her Bachelor's degree from Bemidji State University. She will be placed at BA step 1 on the salary schedule.