

Memo to: Board of Trustees
Memo from: Lynn McKinney
Date: June 18, 2018
Re: Walsh new hire for 2018-2019

We are excited to announce our recommendation for Assistant Principal at Walsh Elementary School. Mrs. Kerry Cooper currently serves as a fourth grade special education teacher in White Settlement ISD. We had 125 candidates apply for this position, 21 were screened, 15 face-to-face interviews were conducted. There were 12 candidates in the approved applicant pool, 6 were internal and 6 were external. Applicant pool candidates met the minimum and preferred requirements that included a Master's degree, as well as a minimum of three years experience as a classroom teacher.

Kerry Cooper's educational background includes:

- A Bachelor of Science in Child Development from University of North Texas
- A Masters of Educational Leadership from University of North Texas

Kerry Cooper's career highlights:

- Currently serves as a fourth grade special education teacher in the White Settlement ISD where she has served since 2016.
- She was recognized as Teacher of the Year for White Settlement ISD in 2016-2017.
- Served as a fourth grade teacher at Benbrook Elementary in Fort Worth ISD from 2014-2016.
- Taught third grade in White Settlement ISD from 2012 – 2013.
- Taught kindergarten and third grade in Humble ISD from 2002-2010 when she relocated to the Fort Worth area.
- Served as a Child Life Specialist for Cook Children's Hospital for six years before moving into public education.

Mrs. Cooper holds the following certifications:

Principal EC-12
Generalist EC-4
English as a Second Language EC-4
Special Education Supplemental EC-4

Kerry and her family reside in Fort Worth.