

**LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Special Meeting
August 11, 2025 - 5:30 PM
Board Room
15125 Farmington Road
Livonia, Michigan 48154**

AGENDA

- I. ROLL CALL: Madeline Acosta, Karen Bradford, Colleen Burton, Crystal Frank, Liz Jarvis, Mark Johnson, Dave MacFarland**
- II. AUDIENCE COMMUNICATIONS**
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TOPIC: Emerson Middle School Assistant Principal Appointment

RECOMMENDATION:

Move that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and appoint Eoghann Stephens as Assistant Principal of Emerson Middle School.

RATIONALE:

The person named above has been interviewed, along with other applicants, for the vacancy that existed in our administration. We believe this individual is the most qualified for the position and recommend the Board's approval.

BUDGETARY INFORMATION:

None

RESOURCE PERSONNEL:

Anthony Abbate, Director of Human Resources

EXHIBIT:

None

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Eoghann R Stephens

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1. Attachment: Resume

Eoghann R. Stephens

Education

Wayne State University, Detroit, MI

Masters in Educational Leadership, Jan. 2025 - Present

Madonna University, Livonia, MI

Bachelor of Arts in Social Studies, Aug. 2010 - Dec. 2014

Michigan Provisional Certificate in Secondary Education with RX and BA endorsements
(with social studies major and English minor)

Teaching Experiences

Frost Middle School, Livonia, MI

Jan. 2022 - Present

Teacher - U.S. History, ELA7, Computer Science, & Creative Writing

Teaching 7th and 8th grade students in U.S. History, ELA, Computer Science, Creative Writing, and Academic Success. Worked in PLT groups to develop curriculum, common assessments, and review data. Worked with the special education department to help develop and implement IEPs. Have helped manage and been involved with numerous roles across the school including, but not limited to:

- 8th Grade Washington DC Trip Coordinator
 - Planned the 2024 8th grade trip to Washington DC which had 152 people traveling. Worked closely with travel agency representatives, clothing companies, and fundraising organizations.
- PLTW Computer Science for Innovators and Makers teacher
 - Trained and taught elective class that gave students the opportunity to complete basic code that could be applied to the real world.

Centennial Middle School, South Lyon, MI

Aug. 2016- Dec. 2021

Teacher - U.S. History, ELA & Digital Literacy

Teaching 7th and 8th grade students in U.S History, ELA, and Digital Literacy. Developed age and level appropriate school wide lesson plans for multiple subjects and grade levels. Managed multiple roles across the school including, but not limited to:

- Diversity Coordinator
 - Planned and oversaw the running of the district diversity programs throughout the school working closely with administration to implement.
- WEB Leadership Co-Coordinator
 - Organized and ran an 8th grade leadership program (Where Everyone Belongs) who worked with groups of 6th graders throughout their first year at the middle school to provide a smooth transition and support.
- ELA SAC 8th Grade Representative
 - 8th grade subject area committee representative. Worked with middle school teachers throughout the district in the planning and implementation of a new curriculum in the 2021 school year.

Leadership & Administrative Experiences

Middle School Athletic Director - Frost Middle School, Livonia, MI June. 2024-Present

Held a dual role of athletic director and teacher, where I oversaw the athletic programs for Frost Middle School. Managed student eligibility, scheduling, coach coordination and hiring, and program communication. Key accomplishments include:

- Managing schedules and logistics for 12 middle school athletic teams.
- Facilitated communication between coaches, parents, and administration to ensure smooth operations of all athletic programs and events.
- Oversaw student eligibility and worked closely with teaching staff to provide support for students where data supported a need.
- Organized pre-season meetings, ensured equitable opportunities for our student athletes, and promoted inclusion throughout our athletic department.

Coaching & Community Experience

Frost Unified Basketball Head Coach Sept. 2022-Present

Lead an inclusive basketball program that brings together students with and without intellectual disabilities, promoting teamwork, mutual respect, and community building. Foster an environment where all students have the opportunity to participate, develop skills, and build meaningful peer relationships. Collaborate with staff and families to support student growth both on and off the court.

Livonia Stevenson Boys Varsity Head Basketball Coach Oct. 2015 - Nov 2024

Appointed varsity head coach in 2020 after five years of progressive leadership at the freshman and JV levels. Spearheaded a comprehensive program development plan focused on athletic excellence, character building, and academic achievement. Established and led academic support initiatives in partnership with teachers to improve student-athlete performance across all subjects. Oversaw all aspects of program operations including training, scheduling, program-wide development, and mentorship.

References

Shanan Wheeler, Frost Middle School, 14041 Stark Rd, Livonia, MI

Frost Middle School Principal



Noel Emenhiser, 1069 Pheasant Run Dr. West, Wixom, MI

Madonna University Athletic Director



Arnie Muscat, Stevenson High School, 33500 Six Mile Road, Livonia, MI

Livonia Stevenson High School Athletic Director



Sherri Brown, Frost Middle School, 14041 Stark Rd, Livonia, MI

Team Leader, Special Education Programs



Brian Jensen, Emerson Middle School, 29100 W Chicago, Livonia, MI

Emerson Middle School Principal



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TOPIC: Frost Middle School Assistant Principal Appointment

RECOMMENDATION:

Move that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and appoint Jennifer Katz as Assistant Principal of Frost Middle School.

RATIONALE:

The person named above has been interviewed, along with other applicants, for the vacancy that existed in our administration. We believe this individual is the most qualified for the position and recommend the Board's approval.

BUDGETARY INFORMATION:

None

RESOURCE PERSONNEL:

Anthony Abbate, Director of Human Resources

EXHIBIT:

None

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Jennifer M Katz



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Jennifer Katz

Educational Leader

CONTACT



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EDUCATION

MASTERS IN K-12
ADMINISTRATION
U of M Flint
2020 -2022

MASTERS IN ELEMENTARY
EDUCATION
Wayne State University
2004-2006

BACHELORS OF ARTS, SPANISH
Michigan State University
2001-2004

CERTIFICATIONS

MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATION
CERTIFICATION K-12

MICHIGAN PROFESSIONAL
CERTIFICATION
Elementary Education K-5,
K-8 Self-Contained

K-12 SPANISH
ENDORSEMENT (FF)

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Visionary and equity-driven Assistant Principal with over 15 years of experience in education and leadership. Demonstrated expertise in instructional leadership, multi-tiered systems of support (MTSS), culturally responsive practices, school safety, curriculum innovation, and staff development. Known for building high-performing teams, increasing student achievement, and fostering a safe, inclusive learning environment. Experienced in change management, restorative practices implementation, and strategic planning in alignment with district goals. Strong focus on building authentic relationships with students, empowering staff through collaborative leadership, and engaging families and the broader community to support school success.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

- Supervise and evaluate 35+ certified and support staff using the Marzano framework and district-approved protocols. Provide targeted coaching aligned to IDPs and instructional best practices.
- Chair of the building-level MTSS leadership team, establishing tiered intervention systems.
- Serve as 504 Coordinator—facilitate initial meetings, eligibility decisions, accommodations development, and compliance tracking for 50+ students.
- Lead building-wide restorative practices initiatives in collaboration with counselors and the restorative practice facilitator.
- Act as crisis response leader and liaison with district safety director; conduct ALICE drills, manage emergency protocols, and train staff in trauma-informed de-escalation.
- Oversee middle school athletic programming including coach hiring, scheduling and supervision of games.
- Spearheaded school-wide launch of a teaming model for grades 6–8 to support student-centered scheduling, interdisciplinary collaboration, and shared teacher planning time.
- Lead building wide coordination of standardized testing programs including PSAT and MSTEP for grade levels 6-8.
- Maintain proactive, multi-modal family engagement plan—publish weekly updates, student leader facilitator, involved in PTSA, and lead administrator for No Place for Hate and Power Pride Night (multicultural event).

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2020 - Present

BERKLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
2016-2020

WAYNE-WESTLAND COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
2011-2014

FLAT ROCK COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
2008-2011

MEMBERSHIPS

Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association (MEMSPA)

Jennifer

Educational Leader

Katz

CURRICULUM EXPERIENCE

- Appointed Lead Administrator for school-wide implementation of the New Tech Network (NTN), including staff training, fidelity monitoring, and family communication.
- Presented at NTN national conference after earning "Spotlight School" recognition for exemplary implementation in Year 1.
- Created and launched a flexible interdisciplinary master schedule incorporating SEL blocks, project-based learning, and inclusion co-teaching.
- Partnered with instructional coaches to support teachers in piloting NTN and a new math curriculum.
- Led curriculum mapping initiative to align local units to Michigan Academic Standards and integrate DEI-aligned resources across content areas.

INSTRUCTIONAL LEADER EXPERIENCE

- Designed and led over 25 professional development sessions on topics including trauma-informed teaching, restorative practices, formative assessment, and PLC facilitation.
- Conducted classroom observations annually; provided personalized coaching, follow-up support, and instructional modeling.
- Coached teachers in conflict-resolution and restorative meditations - student to student and teacher to student.

REFERENCES

ANDREW LaCROIX
Assistant Principal East MS
Farmington Public Schools

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Kelly Kaminski
Asst. Director of HR
Farmington Public Schools

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Allyson Robinson
Director of School Safety
Farmington Public Schools

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TOPIC: Early Childhood Center Assistant Principal Appointment

RECOMMENDATION:

Move that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the superintendent and appoint Amy Nichols as an assistant principal at the Livonia Early Childhood Center beginning August 12, 2025.

RATIONALE:

The person named above has been interviewed, along with other applicants, for the vacancy that existed in our administration. We believe this individual is the most qualified for the position and recommend the Board's approval.

BUDGETARY INFORMATION:

None

RESOURCE PERSONNEL:

Phillip Francis, Deputy Superintendent
Anthony Abbate, Director of Personnel & District Services

EXHIBIT:

None

Amy Nichols

Skills

- Interpersonal skills
- Collaboration and teamwork
- Leadership and supervision
- Professional development
- Data analysis
- Behavior management
- Student advocacy
- Effective communication
- Process improvement

Experience

- August 2020 to Current **Livonia Public Schools**
Livonia, MI
Team Leader Livonia ECC & Roosevelt ASD Center
- Coordinated transition meetings and IEPs for students moving from Part C to Part B services.
 - Managed referrals and scheduled preschool evaluations at building level.
 - Collected and analyzed building-based SIP and PBIS data to monitor progress on early childhood learning standards.
 - Collaborated with classroom teachers on behavior management and communication strategies.
 - Supported students with significant behavior management and sensory needs effectively.
- August 2012 to August 2020 **Livonia Public Schools**
Livonia, MI
Certified Speech Language Pathologist
- Delivered direct speech and language services to students with disabilities.
 - Administered assessments to evaluate student needs, utilizing both standardized and informal methods.
 - Wrote evaluation and progress reports and developed individualized education plans (IEPs).
 - Presented progress updates at conferences and annual IEP meetings with families.
 - Collaborated with educators and parents to improve communication outcomes.
 - Facilitated professional development sessions for staff on effective communication strategies, behavior, and data collection techniques.
- September 2001 to August 2012 **Lepak & Associates P.C.**
Commerce Township, MI
Speech-Language Pathologist
- Conducted diagnostic evaluations and devised treatment plans for pediatric clients in an outpatient setting.
 - Delivered individualized and group speech therapy sessions to enhance communication skills.
 - Organized annual summer camp and various group programs to promote social interaction.
 - Presented workshops and informational sessions to local schools, professional organizations, and pediatric offices.

Education and Training

- April 2001 **Eastern Michigan University**
Ypsilanti, MI
Communication Sciences And Disorders
Master of Arts
- Wayne State University**
Detroit, MI
Education Administration Education Specialist Certificate in Administration And Supervision

Certifications

- Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist, State of Michigan
- ASHA certified Speech-Language Pathologist