



TAMALPAIS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Tamalpais Union High School District names LaSandra White as Principal of Archie Williams High School.

It is with great excitement that we announce that LaSandra White, currently the Interim Principal of Archie Williams High School in San Anselmo, will assume the job on a permanent basis, effective February 2.

Ms. White has been in the field of education for 25 years in a variety of roles, including Academic Workshop teacher, School Counselor and 18 years as Assistant Principal of Redwood High School. Most recently, she has been Interim Principal of Archie Williams since August 2021. She brings a wealth of experience to her new role as Principal, including oversight of Counseling/Wellness, Student Activities, athletics, facilities, student support services, attendance and discipline. Ms. White is also a key member of the Racial Justice Task Force.

Ms. White stated, "After spending 25 years in this great district, I am ready to move into the role of Principal, and I am excited and honored to be the Archie Williams High School Principal. The community - staff, students and parents - have been incredibly welcoming and supportive since I started in August and I look forward to continuing the work of getting to know and building strong relationships with everyone in the Archie Williams community. I also look forward to continuing the great work around equity, restorative practices and providing an inclusive, supportive and safe environment so that all students can thrive academically and social-emotionally."

Ms. White started her career in education and adolescent mental health in 1996, as an academic support teacher at Redwood. The following year, she transitioned to the role of School Counselor, supporting the academic and social-emotional growth of students. In 2002, Ms. White made the move to administrator, taking on the role of Assistant Principal, where she excelled, building strong relationships with students, parents, colleagues and community members.

Ms. White holds two Master's degrees - a Master's of Arts (M.A.) in Counseling from the University of San Diego and a Master's of Arts (M.A.) in Educational Administration from San Francisco State University. Prior to graduate school, LaSandra completed her undergraduate work at the University of California, Berkeley, earning a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Sociology. LaSandra is a lifelong resident of Marin County. She grew up in Marin City, graduated from The Branson School and has strong roots in the community.

"I am thrilled that LaSandra will continue her great work in the District, this time as permanent Principal of Archie Williams High School" said Tara Taupier, Superintendent of the Tamalpais Union High School District. Further, Taupier stated, "LaSandra is an exceptional leader and exceptional person. Her energy, focus on equity and capacity to build relationships and community is a perfect match for the Archie Williams community. She fits, exactly, the type of leader the students and community stated they wanted and she's more than ready for the challenge."

The recommendation was approved by the Board of Trustees on Tuesday, February 1, during the regularly scheduled meeting.