

GYPSD Welcomes New 2019/20 School Administrators

Immediate Release: August 27, 2019 - Grande Yellowhead Public School Division welcomes new administrators for the 2019/20 school year.



Taylor Heaslip, Assistant Principal, Grand Trunk High School, Evansburg - Taylor has been with Grande Yellowhead since 2012 at Wildwood School, teaching at the elementary and junior high levels. He also enjoyed his duties as the assistant principal, and is looking forward to deepening his leadership skills at the high school as 'it's a great opportunity to reconnect with former students and collaborate with new colleagues.'



Arthur Cota, Assistant Principal, Grande Cache Community High School, Grande Cache - Arthur and his wife Susan have been teaching in Grande Cache since 2010 when they moved to the mountain community from Ontario. He is currently the learning support teacher at GCCHS and has taught in the SonRise Christian Program. Arthur received his Master degree from Queen's University in 2011. He assumed the acting assistant principal position at the high school earlier this year. As a new leader he plans to 'actively engage with the local community by working together to improve student learning'.



Amanda Gilmore, Principal, Niton Central School, Niton Junction - Amanda joins the GYPSD team most recently from Worsley Central School (K-12), where she served as principal. She has taught language arts and physical education. Modeling a life-long passion for learning, she has two degrees: a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Education (with honours) from the University of New Brunswick. She spent time in South Korea teaching English. Along with her constant canine companion, Dante. Amanda enjoys spending time exploring the outdoors and seeking new adventures. She is looking forward to her new position, getting familiar with her new school community 'where everyone can learn and grow together'.



Kevin Bissoon, Principal, The Learning Connection Centres - Kevin had a very busy summer before he took over the helm of the five outreach centres for GYPSD. After his last week teaching at Vimy Ridge Academy for Edmonton Public School Board (EPSB), he spent the next few weeks teaching summer school in Edmonton, before officially joining Grande Yellowhead. Kevin likes the flexibility and challenge of multiple projects - in his 22 years with EPSB, he has spent time in several high schools as a teacher, department head, assistant principal, and was the program coordinator/developer for the Learn Write/LearnNet program which is similar to GYPSD's outreach program. Kevin believes that 'the journey is the reward' and he is ready to roll up his sleeves and work with the TLC team to build upon the current strengths of the program because 'kids don't care about what your background is, or what your title is. They care what you do.'

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2019/2020 School Administrators

Lobstick Zone:

Grand Trunk High School, Evansburg

Heidi Zadderey, Principal Taylor Heaslip, Assistant Principal

Evansview School, Evansburg

James Randall, Principal Lindsay Oslie-Jones, Assistant Principal

Wildwood School, Wildwood

James Randall, Principal
Jonie Gerspacher, Assistant Principal

Niton Central School, Niton Junction

Amanda Gilmore, Principal Bailey King, Assistant Principal

Edson Zone:

Fulham School, Fulham

Janaya Marshall, Principal

École Westhaven School

Stacy McGowan, Principal Jane Marcoff, Assistant Principal

École Pine Grove Middle School

Erin Murphy, Principal Helen Payette, Assistant Principal

Mary Bergeron Elementary School

Darcy Reynolds, Principal Debra Boos, Assistant Principal

Parkland Composite High School

Mark Maris, Principal Ryan Hall, Assistant Principal Steven Ripkins, Assistant Principal

Hinton Zone:

Crescent Valley School

Robin Hengel, Principal Manuela Casagrande, Assistant Principal

École Mountain View School

Kurt Scobie, Principal Louis Corbeil, Assistant Principal

Harry Collinge High School

Glen Allen, Principal Andrea Alderman, Assistant Principal Ryan Maguhn, Assistant Principal

Grande Cache Zone:

Grande Cache Community High School

Jackie Mines, Principal Arthur Cota, Assistant Principal

Sheldon Coates School

Michelle Bolay, Principal

Summitview School

John Hammer, Principal Trina McKay, Assistant Principal

Jasper Zone:

Jasper Elementary School

Jodi Campbell, Principal Becky Koss, Assistant Principal

Jasper Jr./ Sr. High School

Mark Crozier, Principal Eric Bouchard, Assistant Principal

The Learning Connection Centres: Evansburg, Edson, Hinton, Jasper & Grande Cache

Kevin Bissoon, Principal Barb Shepherd, Assistant Principal

