

RE: New Principal for Paris Elementary

Paris Elementary Will Have a New Principal When the 2017-18 School Year Begins

The 2017-18 school year will be under new leadership when school begins in August. Mr. Thomas Reed was named Principal of Paris Elementary on, Tuesday, May 30, after a month long process and search. Mr. Reed has a background in middle school and high school science, and has recently been working as an integrated science teacher in Fayette County. Mr. Reed has also served as a principal in Russell County. Paris Superintendent, Ken Bicknell, praised the Paris Elementary SBDM Council for their dedication to this very important task. Bicknell said, "Choosing a principal is the most important role an SBDM Council can have, and each member is to be commended. I am excited to get started working with Mr. Reed. He was very impressive in his interview and with his vision for Paris Elementary." Mrs. Elizabeth Waugh, Vice Chair of Paris Elementary SBDM said, "I am very proud of the work our team has done over the last month, and we are excited for the upcoming school year with Mr. Reed as our leader." Superintendent Bicknell added, "Mrs. Scholl and staff at Paris Elementary have built a high achieving school full of dedicated educators and outstanding students. We will continue to improve on the great things that have been accomplished under Mr. Reed's leadership."

Thomas Reed will be replacing Rachelle Schjoll, who was principal at Paris Elementary for 12 years.

Mr. Reed said "From the moment I walked into the board of education, I could feel the family atmosphere of Paris Independent. I am so very grateful and humbled to be selected as the next principal of Paris Elementary and will do my best to further foster the family atmosphere for the students, staff, parents, and community. "

Paris Elementary will plan a meet and greet event for students, parents and the community in the near future.