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Winnipeg School Division Board of Trustees announces appointment of new Chief Superintendent/CEO

August 11, 2023 (Winnipeg, MB) - The Board of Trustees of Winnipeg School Division is pleased to announce that a new Chief Superintendent/CEO was appointed at a special board meeting on August 10, 2023. Matt Henderson will join Winnipeg School Division on August 22, 2023, and officially take on the role of Chief Superintendent and CEO on September 7, 2023.

Henderson has served as the assistant superintendent for Seven Oaks School Division and was the founding principal of the Maples Met School. He has taught Grades 5 to 12, is a PhD candidate at the University of Manitoba, and is an instructor at the University of Winnipeg. Matt is passionate about creating schools fully committed to powerful relationships, deep relevance, and intellectual rigour. He is a graduate and resident of Winnipeg School Division.

The recruitment process began in spring 2023 with selection of MNP as the executive recruitment firm to facilitate the process. The Finance and Personnel Committee of the Board of Trustees was entrusted to work with MNP to help guide the nation-wide search, which produced many strong candidates for the Board to consider.

“On behalf of the Board of Trustees, we would like to thank all of those who applied and participated in various stages of this process,” said Betty Edel, Chair, Winnipeg School Division Board of Trustees. “We look forward to working with Matt Henderson as we continue to undertake the important work of Winnipeg School Division, including updating our strategic plan and our continued focus on ensuring our schools are safe and inclusive spaces for learning and academic achievement for all students.”

The Board of Trustees also thanks Ms. Pauline Clarke for her years of dedication and service to the WSD and our school communities. We wish her well on her retirement. Ms. Clarke’s last day as Chief Superintendent and CEO will be on September 6, 2023.

WSD was established in 1871 and currently has 79 schools, almost 30,000 students and over 4,000 full time employees. Its purpose is to provide a learning environment that fosters the growth of each student’s potential and provide equitable opportunity to develop the knowledge, skills and values necessary for meaningful participation in a global and diverse society.

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