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NCS Families,

As we head into spring, our campus is engaged in the current school year and also preparing for the upcoming school year. Establishing strong leaders for the 2021-2022 school year and beyond, at both NCHS and NCA, has been a high priority. Working with hiring committees that were formed at both schools, I am excited to announce that we have hired the incoming principals - Mr. Josh Snyder will be the next NCHS Principal and Mr. James Hall will be the next NCA Principal. I truly believe that God has guided the formation of this team and look forward to all that is ahead. Please read the messages below from both of the incoming principals.



### **JOSH SNYDER – INCOMING NCHS PRINCIPAL**

Hello Northwest Christian families: I am delighted to serve as incoming high school principal at Northwest Christian High School for the upcoming school year. I have five years of experience as a principal, four years teaching Social Studies and Bible, and nine years as Pastor of Student Ministries, for a total of 18 years working with students in non-profit Christian ministry. I earned a Master of Arts in Philosophy of Religion from Denver Seminary and a Master of Education in School Administration from Northern Arizona University. Most recently, I served as Principal at Flint Hills Christian School in Manhattan, Kansas, where my family and I currently live. Prior to my most recent position, I was Principal at Valley Christian School in Auburn, Washington. My wife, Lizzie, and I have been married for 13 years with three children: Sully (4th grade), Louie (2nd grade), and Nora (pre-kindergarten). We are

eager to return to the beautiful Pacific Northwest and to immerse and invest our family into Northwest Christian Schools. My passion and calling continues to be that God will use my life in Christian schooling to help shepherd his children and to equip disciples for authentic, lifelong commitment to Jesus Christ. I am enthusiastic about starting to foster relationships with students and families over the summer months. Please pray for our move as we prepare and we look forward to meeting you soon!



### **JAMES HALL – INCOMING NCA PRINCIPAL**

Greetings NCA Families: I'm thrilled to have the opportunity to serve as the new principal at Northwest Christian Academy beginning in the 2021-2022 school year. I have five years of teaching experience, with two of those years taking place here at NCA. Prior to teaching, I worked as a youth advocate with children in the Arizona foster-care system, and as a youth pastor at my home church in Phoenix, AZ. I received my Bachelor of Science in Behavioral Health from Arizona Christian University and a Master of Education in Secondary Education from Grand Canyon University. My wife Cyndi and I have been married for ten years. We have two children: Vivian who will be attending kindergarten this fall at NCA, and Jefferson who will be attending the preschool. I'm very excited to continue to build relationships with the families that make up our NCA community. I have a passion for combining joy with education to ignite within our students a desire to be lifelong learners. I love that we get to

pursue truth, knowledge and goodness within a Christian community that seeks to glorify God while we learn together. I look forward to continuing this journey at NCA with you!

Serving Him,

*Kim DeLeon*

NCA Principal / Incoming Head of School

*May the Lord cause you to flourish, both you and your children. – Psalm 115:14*