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Dear Pearl River Middle School Parents & Community,

I am pleased to announce that David Wright was appointed as the Principal of Pearl River Middle School on May 3, 2022 following my recommendation and the Board of Education's approval. His first day as PRMS Principal will be July 1, 2022. Mr. Wright will join the middle school's administrative team to provide overall leadership and oversee the advancement of all aspects of the middle school – working with Assistant Principal Andrea Pompey, faculty and staff to ensure a nurturing and supportive school environment for all of our students across grades 5-7. He will replace current Principal Maria Paese, who will be retiring at the conclusion of the 2021-22 school year.

Mr. Wright brings 15 years of experience as a teacher and administrator at the middle school level as well as a number of professional credentials and certifications to the Pearl River Middle School leadership team. His knowledge and understanding of student-centered programming, instruction, assessment, and professional development initiatives aligns with the values and educational goals of our District. Recently, Mr. Wright was selected as the School Administrators Association of New York State (SAANYS) and the National Association of Elementary School Principals' (NAESP) Assistant Principal of the Year – which promotes educational excellence.

I know you join me in warmly welcoming Mr. Wright to the Pearl River Middle School and Pearl River School District community.

Sincerely,

Marco F. Pochintesta, Ed.D.