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BOARD APPOINTS DR. JENNIFER LECLERC NEW DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

The Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board is very pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Jennifer Leclerc as the board's new Director of Education. Leclerc has served as Superintendent of Education: Teaching and Learning since joining the Board in January 2010.

"Jennifer is an accomplished educator and provincial leader in student achievement. We feel incredibly fortunate that she will be able to bring her wealth of professional and administrative skills to her new role," says Cathy Abraham, Chairperson of the Board. "An innovative educator, Jennifer has extensive experience in developing and supporting strategies to ensure student success - the main priority for our board," says Abraham.

"The board was very impressed by the collaborative, open and positive relationships that have marked Jennifer's tenure as a Superintendent. We expect these leadership and interpersonal skills will characterize her success as our new Director of Education."

A Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) in Curriculum, Teaching and Learning, Leclerc's research focused explicitly on exploring the components of effective teaching practices, beliefs about ability and disability, and the impact on teaching and learning using quantitative and qualitative research methods.

With over 30 years of experience in education, prior to joining the board Leclerc held a number of administrative and leadership positions with the Durham Catholic District School Board and York University. She also previously served as a Student Achievement Officer at the Ministry of Education, where she was instrumental in leading a number of large school boards toward improved student achievement and instructional leadership. Leclerc also served as Interim Director of Education with the Board previously this spring.

"I am incredibly honoured and humbled by this new opportunity the board has given me as Director of Education," says Leclerc. "I believe this is truly an exciting time to be a leader in the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board, and I consider it a privilege to be entrusted by the board with the position of Director of Education. I greatly look forward to working in collaboration with the board, our excellent staff, supportive community partners, and most importantly, all our wonderful students and parents, as we pursue success and achievement for all."

Leclerc is assuming her new role effective September 1, 2017.

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