

West-McIntosh Named New Principal At Carver

TUPELO, Miss. — During a special called board meeting on Wednesday morning at Church Street Elementary, the Tupelo Public School District Board of Trustees approved the hiring of April West-McIntosh as the new principal at Carver Elementary.

A native of Vardaman and a 21-year veteran of TPSD, she replaces Christy Carroll, who took over the same position at Thomas Street Elementary.

"I am excited to begin a new journey as the principal at Carver Elementary," West-McIntosh said. "Words cannot express the excitement and gratitude that I feel to be blessed with the opportunity to work with and serve the teachers, students and parents of Carver Elementary. I look forward to continuing the tradition of excellence that is Tupelo."

She comes to Carver with six years of administrative experience, including the last four at Tupelo Middle School as an assistant principal. She served in the same capacity for two years at Lawhon.

West-McIntosh earned both her Bachelor's and Master's from Ole Miss, while receiving her Specialist degree from Delta State. She is currently working on her doctorate from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Her educational journey also includes achieving National Board Certification honors, and she has co-authored two best-selling motivational books for students.

Her career also features 15 years in the classroom as a K-5 teacher. As a lead teacher, she was instrumental in helping Lawndale Elementary become an A-rated school in the MDE accountability model. As an administrator, both Lawhon and TMS earned A-rated status.

"I want to thank my husband, Anthony, family and my wonderful admin team at TMS," she said. "Their support is felt is every day."

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