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**English Promoted To New Assistant Superintendent Role**

**TUPELO, Miss. —** After serving nearly nine years in an administrative role for the Tupelo Public School District, Dr. Brock English has been promoted to assistant superintendent.

English, who has been the principal at Tupelo Middle School since 2015, will oversee the secondary curriculum for grades 6-12 beginning July 1.

“I’m beyond grateful for this opportunity, and I look forward to helping the staff and students of our district achieve their goals,” said English, who has been with TPSD for the past 18 years. “I’ve been blessed to work alongside the best administrators, teachers, students, staff and community around.”

He began his career teaching 4th grade at Pierce Street Elementary in 2001. Following stints at Milam and the middle school, English made the transition to administration as an assistant principal in 2010 at Lawndale. The following year, he was promoted to principal and voted the TPSD Administrator of the Year.

Under his guidance, Lawndale received an A rating. Likewise, he made an immediate impact at TMS, bringing it to a B rating in 2016-17.

He also saw a 40-percent decline in discipline referrals, while tardiness decreased by 50 percent under his watch.

This past February, TMS received the PREPS Value-Added Award for Algebra.

“Dr. English is someone who is very familiar with our district and has great relationships with our principals and teachers,” TPSD superintendent Dr. Rob Picou said. “During the interview process, we were really impressed with his vision, and he was very thorough with his implementation plans. We are excited to have him in this new role, and I’m confident he will do a great job.”

English, a two-time Teacher of Distinction nominee who currently oversees 115 staff members and 1,000-plus students, received a B.S. in elementary education from Mississippi State in 2001 and his master’s from Ole Miss in 2005. In 2014, he earned his doctorate from Liberty University. That same year, he completed the Mississippi School Boards Association Prospective Superintendent Leadership Academy.

He and his wife of 16 years, Emilie, have two sons, Curt (24) and Charlie (14).

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