

Congratulations



Melissa Thomas
Director of Secondary
Curriculum



Mark Enis
Principal
Tupelo Middle
School



Heather Cartwright
Principal
Rankin Elementary

Picou, TPSD Board Announce Leadership Changes

TUPELO, Miss. — It's inevitable change occurs with every new school year, and for the Tupelo Public School District, there will be several at the leadership level in 2019-20.

The first round of changes was unanimously approved by the board of trustees on Tuesday with two key principal announcements — Mark Enis at the middle school and Heather Cartwright at Rankin. In addition, current Lawndale principal Melissa Thomas was named Director of Secondary Curriculum.

All three will assume their new positions on July 1.

Enis, who has been the principal at Lawhon the last two years, replaces Dr. Brock English, who was recently promoted to assistant superintendent for secondary education.

A 1992 graduate of THS, Enis has spent the past 20 years at TPSD in various capacities. While coaching soccer, golf and baseball, he also served one year as assistant principal at both the high school and Lawndale. This past year, he led Lawhon to an A-ranking.

He owns three degrees from William Carey College, including his master's he completed in 2001.

A native of Booneville, Cartwright has been in the education field for 10 years, the last three as assistant principal at Lawndale. She also spent seven years at Parkway as a teacher and media specialist.

A graduate of Ole Miss, she earned both her Master's of Arts in Education and Specialist in Education Leadership at Delta State.

Cartwright replaces Dr. Mitzi Moore, who announced her retirement back in February.

Like Enis and Cartwright, Thomas has strong ties to TPSD.

She's been in education for 15 years, including the last four as principal at Lawndale after being an assistant principal at THS.

Prior to her time with the Tupelo Public School District, she served as Nettleton High School's principal.

She wore many hats during her stint in Nettleton, including teacher, coach, district curriculum director and the principal at Nettleton Junior High.

She began her career as a teacher and coach in 2003 at Coldwater High School.

Thomas, who resides in Tupelo, completed her bachelor's, master's and specialist's degrees at Ole Miss. She is also nearing completion of her Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction at Ole Miss.

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