



I am very pleased to announce to you that Kathy MacDonald has accepted the position of Interim Principal for Lake Country Lutheran High School. After clearly seeing that the Lord did not intend for a permanent principal at this time, I quickly evaluated a handful of qualified interim candidates. Kathy clearly rose to the top of our list and after the faculty interviewed her and concurred that she was the right person, we offered her the position. We are all very excited that Lord has led her to be a part of our ministry!

Kathy is a highly educated professional. After graduating from Martin Luther High School in Greendale (one of our Association schools), Kathy went on to receive her bachelor's degree in Family and Consumer Education from U. W. Stout. She then received a master's degree in Continuing and Vocational Education/Curriculum at U.W. Madison and later an additional master's degree in Educational Leadership from Marian College. She rounded out her education with a Graduate School Education from the Principals Center at Harvard University.

Professionally, Kathy's resume is equally impressive. She has spent 22 years in a teaching capacity at three different schools. Further she has 11 years of administrative experience with the last eight years of her secondary education career serving as principal of Nathan Hale High School in West Allis. Kathy retired from Nathan Hale in 2009 and has spent the last year in semi-retirement doing quite a bit of consulting work.

While academically and professional Kathy obviously has done quite well, the accolades and awards that she has received from others are also telling. Allow me to share a sample of the distinctions that Kathy has received:

- Wisconsin High School Principal of the Year 2008-2009
- Crystal Apple Award, West Allis Education Foundation 2003, Student Recognition Program
- Crystal Apple Award, West Allis Education Foundation 1999, Tutoring Program
- Cum Deo Award (Distinguished Alumnus Award) from our own Lutheran High School Association of Greater Milwaukee 1996
- Crystal Apple Award, West Allis Education Foundation 1995, Excellence in Education Award, Middle School Teacher of the Year
- Medallion Award, University of Wisconsin-Stout 1976 Academic Excellence and Community Contributions
- Chancellor's Award, University of Wisconsin-Stout (Eight Consecutive Semesters), Highest Academic Achievement
- Principal of a U.S. News and World Report "Best High Schools in America" for four straight years

While I am sure you would agree that Kathy's credentials are impeccable, what is most impressive to me is her personal integrity and commitment to Jesus Christ. It has been my pleasure to know Kathy for over a year now and to witness her Christian strong character. She is very much committed to Christian education and while she was succeeding at the public school level, Kathy sent her own children to Martin Luther High School. Kathy is also an active member at Hales Corners Lutheran Church and a friend.

Kathy is beginning in her role as Interim Principal effective immediately and will be spending the first several weeks preparing for the start of the school year. I will continue to be at LCL on Friday's for the foreseeable future as I offer my assistance to faculty and staff as we make this transition.

Please join me in praying the Lord's richest blessings as she assumes the transitional leadership of one of the finest Christian High Schools in our nation. Kathy can be reached at [kmacdonald@lakecountryhs.org](mailto:kmacdonald@lakecountryhs.org) or through the school office at (262) 367-8600.

As always, do not hesitate to reach out to me if I can be of assistance in any way.

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