



CUSD 201 School Board Announces Next Westmont High School Principal

On Tuesday, February 28th, Dr. Kevin Weck was unanimously approved to be the next principal of Westmont High School. Dr. Weck will assume this new role with CUSD 201 on July 1st, 2023. He will be filling a role that will be vacated when the current principal, Mr. Jack Baldermann, takes the reins as the new superintendent for the unit district.

Dr. Weck earned a Bachelor's in History from the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana and a Master's in Teaching from National Louis University. Recently, he earned a Doctorate in Educational Organizational Leadership from the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana. With 17 years of experience as an educator, 10 have been spent at Westmont High School as the Assistant Principal. Dr. Weck has been instrumental in helping Westmont High School become one of the best schools in the country.



During Dr. Weck's tenure as an Assistant Principal, Westmont High School has been recognized as Exemplary by the Illinois State Board of Education every designation year. As the recipient of the 2020 DuFour Award, Westmont High School received national recognition for being the best Professional Learning Community in the country. With the highest free and reduced student population in a regular public school, Westmont High School won the 2021 National Blue Ribbon Award. Over the past six years, Westmont High School has received the best 5Essentials Survey results in Illinois. Westmont High School had the fifth-best Chronic Absenteeism rate out of all Illinois high schools last year. Dr. Weck's commitment to student-centered leadership helped reduce out-of-school suspensions from 126 per year to less than 20 per year over the last ten years.

Although humbled by the opportunity, Dr. Weck has proven his abilities through the relationships he has built and the culture he has helped to cultivate within the walls of Westmont High. As recognition for his many efforts, Dr. Weck was selected as the Assistant Principal of the Year for DuPage County in 2020. "Perhaps his greatest strength is his ability to build relationships and lead people. Dr. Weck's interpersonal skills are extraordinary. He knows how to connect with people effectively, and that is why our teacher, parent, student, and administrative selection committee of 27 overwhelmingly chose him as our next principal," contributed Jack Baldermann.

Dr. Weck stated that he “is excited and prepared to support and lead innovative teaching and learning to help improve student achievement.” He plans to tap into his “experience in building a positive school culture, supporting best practices for teaching and learning, providing staff development, and leading District initiatives” while leading Westmont High School. Dr. Weck has a proven record for collaboration and District leadership practices that effectively support student and teacher growth.

Dr. Weck is excited about the opportunity to bring his passion for diversity and academic excellence to his new leadership role at Westmont High School. He is eager to continue working with the dedicated and talented staff as they maintain a strong school culture that supports student success and fosters a love for learning.