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Angela Barrett Named Assistant Principal at Piedmont Middle School

(**Piedmont, Ca., June 22, 2022**) – The Piedmont Unified School District (PUSD) filled its remaining school site administrator position with the hiring of Angela Barrett as new Assistant Principal of Piedmont Middle School. Barrett will replace Karyn Shipp, who will assume the Principal position of PMS on July 1.

"I am excited to join the students, staff and families at Piedmont Middle School," Barrett said. "I am dedicated to supporting Piedmont as we work toward providing all students with an equitable and high-quality educational experience. It is an honor to join this amazing community, and I look forward to getting to know you all."

"Ms. Barrett was the clear choice during the application/interview process and we are thrilled to bring her experience and passion to Piedmont Middle School," added PUSD Superintendent, Randall Booker. "Already well-established and familiar with the role, she will fit right in to what this great school is working to build and accomplish for its students and staff."

An experienced teacher and administrator, Barrett comes to PUSD from the Nea Community Learning Center in Alameda, where she has served as assistant principal during the past school year and assisted with operations, staff, parent outreach, and professional development, in addition to working as high school discipline lead, grade 6-12 gradebook lead, and organizing the shift to mastery grading for Nea's upper division team. Barrett spent the previous three years as Vice Principal at Envision Academy High School in Oakland where she was the point person for facilities & on-campus school safety, technology and state testing, led regular professional development sessions, and worked with teachers for coaching, data analysis and classroom observations. Barrett has several years of experience in the classroom as an English teacher at Amador Valley High School in Pleasanton, and as Lead Teacher at City Arts and Technology High School in Oakland. She describes herself as a passionate educator, excited to learn, grow and connect with students and the community.

"I am an educational leader who understands the importance of working with others, as well as when it is time to take initiative in the best interest of students and the community we serve. I am ready to take my leadership experience in this exciting new direction that allows me to support all students to succeed."

Barrett will assume her new role on July 1.