

Sligo Creek Elementary School Mrs. Stephanie Nesmith, Acting Principal

It is with great enthusiasm that I share my appointment as acting principal of Sligo Creek Elementary School effective August 16, 2021.

In June, I successfully completed my principal internship at Julius West Middle School making it my 17th year serving the students and community of Montgomery County Public Schools. This is my 21st year as an educator, having worked proudly in the capacity of a middle

school math teacher, high school math teacher, high school counselor, high school resource counselor, and middle school assistant principal. While this is my first year embarking on the elementary school level, I am certain that my passion for student learning, and affinity to promote student confidence, growth and development will serve our students and community well.

I earned a bachelor's degree in Mathematics Education from Talladega College and a master's degree in Counseling Education from Florida A&M University. I received a Certificate of Administration and Supervision from McDaniel's College, and have also completed 63 hours of doctoral-level coursework earning an Advanced Graduate Specialist Certificate in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies from the University of Maryland, College Park where my research included the study of restorative justice practices and its impact on student achievement.

As acting principal, I look forward to collaborating with staff, students and the community of Sligo Creek Elementary School to fulfill its mission to provide rigorous instruction in a caring environment, and develop responsible citizens of a global society.

You will find that I am a passionate educator who embraces each day with eagerness and an open heart. My journey has always been led by my desire to make a difference and inspire students to perform at their highest level. I stand ready each day to impact those who matter the most **-OUR STUDENTS-** and I am thrilled to have an opportunity to work side-by-side with you.

All the best,

Stephanie Nesmith

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