



Haywood County Schools Press Release

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Director of Secondary and Career Technical Education

Ms. Lena Thomas-Moore will assume the role of Director of Secondary and Career Technical education July 1, 2020. For the past two years, Ms. Thomas-Moore has served as an assistant principal at Haywood High School. During this time, she was responsible for ninth grade discipline, establishing professional learning communities, student recognition ceremonies, and coaching teachers. All of these experiences have allowed her to build relationships with stakeholders of the school including students, parents, businesses, and community members.

Thomas-Moore holds a bachelor's degree in English and a master's degree in education from the University of Memphis. She completed an Ed. S. in educational leadership from Lipscomb University. Over the past two years, Haywood High has changed in many ways: dual enrollment, career and technical pathways, and equitable education for all students. In an effort to ensure equitable education, new curriculum was chosen. Ms. Thomas-Moore had the opportunity to collaborate with other leaders in the county to conduct walk-throughs of classrooms at Haywood High School. These walk-throughs were conducted to ensure that equitable access was given to every student, and it also allowed the leaders of the school to support teachers, students, and community stakeholders through transitions and changes that occurred.

Thomas-Moore has had the opportunity to make hard decisions and learn that every good decision is based on what is best for students. This philosophy has developed through the hard work under the leaders of Haywood County and her experience as an educator. It is important for Thomas-Moore to continue to build capacity so that she may guide and support teachers.

Please join me in welcoming Ms. Lena Thomas-Moore to her district level leadership position.