

## Media Release Derek Lennox appointed as the new Superintendent of Educational Services May 17th, 2023

The Renfrew County Catholic District School Board is pleased to announce that Derek Lennox, current Principal of St. Joseph's High School in Renfrew, has been appointed to the position of Superintendent of Educational Services: Math and Early Years Lead. Derek brings a tremendous skill set and a wealth of experience to the role. The senior team looks forward to working with him in his new position beginning September 1st, 2023.

Lennox has worked with the Renfrew County Catholic District School Board since 1997 and has held many positions. Some of his experience includes Department Head of Mathematics, Technology and Education at St. Joseph's High School, Vice-Principal at St. Joseph's Elementary School, Vice-Principal at both St. Joseph's High School and Bishop Smith Catholic High School, Principal at St. Joseph's Elementary School in Arnprior and Principal of St. Joseph's High School in Renfrew and Board Lead for Ministry De-Streaming. Lennox has also volunteered at various Parishes, including Eucharistic Minister at St. Francis Xavier for 12 years, and other organizations throughout Renfrew County. He earned his Supervisory Officer's Certificate at the beginning of 2023.

"I am thrilled to welcome Derek Lennox to the senior executive team. His passion for teaching has been a blessing to the schools he has served in. We are excited to see him bring this passion to the entire school board." says Mark Searson, Director of Education for RCCDSB.

The many leadership positions held by Lennox over the course of his career will influence him in his new position as Superintendent of Educational Services. Some of his responsibilities will include being the Math and Early Years Lead, which requires a person whose knowledge and breadth of experience are cross-curricular and multi-disciplinary. Lennox exceeds this requirement with his vast amount of elementary and secondary leadership experience and community engagement skills.

Bob Schreader, RCCDSB Chair expresses his confidence in the Board's decision to appoint Lennox as Superintendent: "Derek is a true example of great leadership. With his experience and skill set, we are confident the RCCDSB will thrive under his guidance as Superintendent of Educational Services. We look forward to all the great things to come. Congratulations Mr. Lennox, very well-deserved!"

Lennox expresses gratitude: "I am honoured to have been appointed as the new Superintendent of Educational services, with a focus on math and early years. I truly appreciate the faith and trust that is being shown in me to take on this role. I look forward to working with a fantastic group of administrators at RCCDSB, and I am confident that by working together, we will achieve great things."