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### **Lodi Unified School District Welcomes New Assistant Superintendents**

*Scott McGregor and Jeff Palmquist Selected to Oversee Elementary and Secondary Education*

LODI, CA (July 13, 2018)—Lodi Unified School District is pleased to announce the appointment of two new Assistant Superintendents for its 2018-19 school year. Scott McGregor was appointed by the Board of Education to the position of Interim Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education. Jeff Palmquist was appointed by the Board of Education to the position of Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education.

Both McGregor and Palmquist are familiar faces to the District.

McGregor most recently served as the Principal of Lodi Middle School for six years. He has worked in the District for 18 years, where he has held a number of positions including Principal, Vice Principal, and Assistant Principal.

Previously, McGregor worked in the Lincoln Unified School District, where he began his career as a physical education teacher. In addition, McGregor has mentored and coached numerous varsity sports teams, including swimming, water polo, and basketball.

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McGregor holds a Bachelor of Arts and an Administrative Credential from the University of the Pacific. He also received his Professional Clear Administrative Credential from the California State University, Sacramento.

As the new Interim Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education, McGregor will be responsible for the District's elementary school and preschool programs.

"The Lodi Unified community appreciates the work that Scott McGregor has done over the years and we are very happy that he has accepted this position. He will provide outstanding leadership to the elementary division," said Superintendent Cathy Nichols-Washer.

Palmquist, the District's new Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education, began his career in the San Joaquin County Office of Education Court and Community School Program. Palmquist then became a teacher in Lodi Unified, where he was later promoted to the position of Assistant Principal at Lodi High School.

After 14 years of service in the District, Palmquist joined Aspire Public Schools as a Principal. He was later promoted to the position of Associate Superintendent, where he served six years in that capacity. In addition, Palmquist has served as an Adjunct Professor at the Teachers College of San Joaquin for 11 years.

Palmquist is a graduate of the University of California, Santa Barbara, where he received his Bachelor of Arts. Palmquist holds a teaching credential from the University of the Pacific and is a Doctor of Education Candidate at the University of Wyoming.

"Lodi Unified is excited to welcome Jeff Palmquist back to the District. We look forward to working with him on innovative programs for our high school students," said Nichols-Washer.

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In his new position, Palmquist will oversee the District's middle school, high school, and alternative school programs, as well as the Child Welfare and Attendance Department.

#### **About Lodi Unified School District**

Lodi Unified School District is located in the heart of the San Joaquin Valley. Home to 49 school sites, LUSD provides high-quality education to a diverse population of 29,000 students. LUSD encompasses more than 350 square miles, including the Cities of Lodi and Stockton as well as the rural communities of Acampo, Clements, Lockeford, Victor, and Woodbridge.

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