

## **In Session with the “Oriole” Superintendent**

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### **2015 -2016 Will Bring Different Faces to the Middle School and Upper Elementary**

Charlotte Middle School and Charlotte Upper Elementary will have new principals in the leadership positions as we enter into the 2015-16 school year. Mr. Wayne Brown, current Middle School principal, will be leaving the district after nine years to pursue a new position in Jenison, Michigan. Mr. Brown served at Washington Elementary and then at the Middle School during his time in Charlotte. We wish him well in his new position and thank him for his years of service to the school district and community.

Mr. Matt Maitland, Upper Elementary Principal in 2014-2015, will become the new Middle School principal in 2015-2016. Mr. Maitland welcomes the opportunity to move to the Middle School to work with the staff, students and parents at the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade levels.

Ms. Blair Klco, Upper Elementary Assistant Principal in 2014-2015, will become the new Upper Elementary principal in 2015-2016. Ms. Klco also welcomes the opportunity to move into the principal leadership position to work with staff, students and parents at the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade levels.

Both of these shifts with existing administrators are very intentional to keep continuity in the building leadership but, equally important is to keep school improvement work and student achievement efforts moving forward without any loss of time due to integrating new leadership. The transition to these new positions by Mr. Maitland and Ms. Klco should be smooth and relatively seamless as they are already familiar with the building, staff, students, families and each other. In addition, both are valued contributors to the Charlotte administrative team.

I feel confident in their ability to lead each building and in their commitment to build relationships with students, staff, parents and our community. Plans are already being developed for the start of the new school year. Congratulations to Mr. Maitland and Ms. Klco as you begin your new positions.

Go Orioles! Oriole Pride !