

## Media Release

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## Grand Erie Welcomes Lisa Munro as New Superintendent of Education

**Brantford Ont.** – Grand Erie District School Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Lisa Munro as Superintendent of Education, effective August 19, 2019.

"I'm very pleased to have Lisa join our Senior Administration Team," said Brenda Blancher, Director of Education. "Lisa is a highly respected educator with a wide range of experience – from Literacy Coach to Principal and Learning Supervisor. She brings a wealth of knowledge to our team and will be a great addition."

Munro joins Grand Erie from Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB) where she has been a Learning Supervisor since 2016 in the area of Culture for Learning, a portfolio that includes Equity, Mental Health and Safe Schools. She has extensive experience as a school administrator and has led initiatives in Equity and Inclusion as well as the Urban Priorities High School initiative.

"I look forward to getting started at Grand Erie in August," said Munro. "In my previous roles, I've worked collaboratively with system, school and community stakeholders to create a culture of learning for all. I see Grand Erie's Multi-Year Plan, *Success for Every Student*, as an extension of this work and I'm honoured to join the team."

During her time at TVDSB, Munro worked on a comprehensive plan called *Rethink Secondary Learning*. The plan reimagines secondary learning experiences to ensure they are innovative, differentiated, highly-engaging and provide both voice and choice as well as a sense of belonging for all learners. From consultation to implementation, Munro led a collaborative approach with TVDSB staff and post-secondary partners to operationalize the *Rethink Secondary Learning* plan.

Munro replaces Dave Abbey, who announced his retirement earlier this year following a distinguished 30-year career in education.

Grand Erie District School Board represents more than 25,000 students in 58 elementary and 14 secondary schools within the City of Brantford and the Counties of Brant, Haldimand, and Norfolk.

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