



Cleveland School District

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Marché Harris, Instructional Coach



Marché Harris, a product of Clarksdale, MS, is currently the science instructional coach for the Cleveland School District. She has spent her entire teaching career right here in the CSD, where she served as a science teacher. During her nine years of teaching she has taught Intro to Biology, Biology I, and Biology II. However, for the past five years, she has taught Biology I, the state-tested subject and enjoyed teaching science concepts and preparing students to successfully pass their state test. With her first year teaching the subject, most notably, having a 100% pass rate and many other successful years thereafter. Her educational accomplishments include an Associate's degree from Coahoma Community College (2008), Bachelor of Arts in Teaching (2011), Master of Science in Natural Sciences (2013), and an Educational Specialist in Administration and Supervision (2016) from Delta State University. She is also a member of the Mississippi Professional Educators organization. She enjoys being a mom and watching her son grow up. She is excited to step into her new role as an instructional coach and look forward to continue making a positive impact within the district.

Ashondra Lucas, Instructional Coach



Ashondra Lucas is a 1997 graduate of East Side High School. After high school, she attended Prairie View A&M University earning a B.A. in English and Communications and M.Ed. in Curriculum and Instruction. In June (2020), she will complete the NISL (National Institute of School Leadership) Executive Development Program as well as graduate from Mississippi College with an Ed.S. in Educational Leadership. Mrs. Lucas began her teaching career in Houston, Texas in 2001 at Francis Scott Key Middle School as a 7th and 8th grade ELA Teacher. In 2005, she transitioned to Missouri City, TX and began teaching at L.V. Hightower High School. She has taught all levels of ELA, including: Advanced, Pre-AP, AP, Creative Writing, and Read 180, English as a Second Language, and ELA Content Lead. In addition to teaching, she served as the Gifted and Talented Liaison, ELA Department Chair, Campus-Based Leadership Team Member, and District New-Teacher Academy Mentor. She was awarded the HAABSE (Houston Area Alliance of Black School Educators) Teacher of the Year Award in 2016 and L.V. Hightower High School Teacher of the Year in 2017. Currently, she serves as the School Improvement Grant (SIG) Officer for Pearman Elementary School. Mrs. Lucas is wife of fellow educator Mr. Julius Lucas, III and mother of Myles (16) and Dawn (13). She is also a twenty year member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. She is committed to her faith, family, and fitness. Mrs. Lucas is excited to work collaboratively with administrators, teachers, and students to further develop our Wolf Pack Scholars.



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Katie Parker, Instructional Coach



Katie Parker is a product of Charleston, MS where she attended high school. She went on to receive her Bachelors of Arts in Secondary English-Ed from the Mississippi University for Women and her Masters of Education in Secondary English-Ed, and she is currently pursuing her Educational Specialist in Educational Leadership from Belhaven University. During her seven years as an educator in the MS Delta, she has taught ELA in grades 7-12th and high school Spanish, as well as served in a variety of leadership capacities including School Test Coordinator and Head of the ELA Department, as well as represented schools on a range of teams including the RTI/TST Committee, Leadership Team, and Data Team. Mrs. Parker is a resident of Boyle, MS where she lives with her husband and two children, a son who attends CCMS and a daughter who attends HCC. Katie Parker is excited for the opportunity to serve the CCSD in her new role as the Elementary Reading Instructional Coach and is looking forward to working closely with both district and school administration and teachers to help increase student achievement through high level teaching and learning. She believes that CCSD has the best students, teachers, and administration and cannot wait to help put the district and its schools in their rightful place at the head of the pack.

Holly Wells, Instructional Coach



Holly Wells is from Grenada, Mississippi. She has been a resident of the Mississippi Delta for the past 8 years. She graduated from Northwest Community College in May of 2012. She then, went on to Delta State wherein she received her degree in Elementary Education in December 2014 and completed her master's degree from Delta State in July 2016. While at Delta State, she was an active member of the Tri Delta Sorority, where she served as the social chair. She is currently working on completing her National Board Certification. She began her teaching career at West Bolivar Elementary in January of 2015. Ms. Wells wanted to be closer to home and was offered a position at Parks Elementary in August 2017 where she has taught for the past three years. She has taught various grades over the years and served on many committees in the school such as, the Teacher Support Team, the academic team, and the behavior team. She also served as the Science Lab teacher. She has served on a committee with Cleveland School District that focused on providing higher quality instructional material to the District. She is also a member of the Mississippi Teacher Council. Outside of Cleveland School District, Ms. Wells is also a fitness instructor at Balance Fitness Studio. She attends First Baptist Church in Cleveland, Mississippi. Ms. Wells is thrilled about her new role in the district and looks forward to providing instructional support to the elementary teachers of Cleveland School District.



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Shannon Thompson, Director of Curriculum & Instruction



Ms. Shannon Thompson serves as the Curriculum Director of Cleveland School District. She brings over 10 years of instructional and leadership experience to the position. Ms. Thompson graduated from the University of Mississippi with a Bachelor of Psychology. In addition, she obtained both her Master of Arts in Teaching and Educational Specialist in Administration and Supervision degrees from Delta State University. Prior to joining Cleveland School District, she was a teacher at Crenshaw Elementary and Green Hill Elementary schools in the North Panola School District, Bayou View Elementary in the Gulfport School District, and the academic coach at Ruleville Middle School in the Sunflower County Consolidated School District.