



Lincoln Public Schools

New Administration and Faculty Appointments—September 2015

Jared Cavagnuolo *Grade 5 Special Education Teacher, Hanscom Middle School*

Jared earned his BA in English from Haverford College and his MS in Education from Simmons College. Jared taught Special Education for six years at the Wilson Middle School in Natick and four years at the New England Center for Children in Southborough, where he also served as Assistant Education Coordinator. Jared began his teaching career in Texas through Teach for America.

Michael Chin *Kindergarten Teacher, Lincoln School*

Michael earned a BA in Psychology from Boston College and an MA in Early Childhood Education from Boston University. Michael student-taught at the Edward Devotion and John D. Runkle Schools in Brookline and the Early Childhood Learning Lab at Boston University. Michael also taught preschool at the Arlington Heights Nursery School for two years.

Sarah Collmer *Principal, Lincoln School*

Sarah earned a BA in music from University of Massachusetts Amherst, a Master of Music in Music Education at the University of Massachusetts Lowell, and a Master of Education in Organizational Management at Endicott College. Sarah joins the Lincoln Public Schools from Canton, where she served for the past two years as Principal and Interim Principal at the John F. Kennedy Elementary School. She worked for the five years prior as the K-12 Performing Arts Coordinator and as a teacher of Performing Arts in that district, as well. Sarah taught music in Wellesley for seven years and in Franklin for five years.

Scott Dixon *Grade 6 Special Education Teacher, Hanscom Middle School*

Scot has a BA in Political Science and an MA in Special Education, both from Assumption College. Scott comes to Lincoln from Beacon High School in Watertown, where he was the Director of Education and a Special Education teacher. He has worked for over 25 years as a teacher and testing officer in Special Education in Natick, Douglas, and Dudley, MA. Scott began his educational career as a middle school U.S. history teacher in Dudley.

Corinne Hairston-Parris *Grade 8 Special Education Teacher, Lincoln School*

Corrine earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Finance from Westfield State College and an MS in Moderate Special Needs from Simmons College. Over the past ten years, Corinne has held various positions in the Boston Public Schools, most recently serving as Lead Teacher and Learning Coach at Lilla G. Frederick Pilot Middle School and as a teacher of students with special needs at the Eliot K-8 School and the Edwards Middle School.

Taylor Hedges *Grade 3 Teacher, Hanscom Primary School*

Taylor holds a BA in Politics from Mount Holyoke College and an MA in Teaching from Smith College. Taylor worked for the past year as a project coach at the Graduate Fellow program in Springfield. Her student teaching experience in Grades 2-5 took place in Easthampton and Northampton, MA, along with New Canaan, CT.

Jessica Killian *Therapeutic Intervention Specialist (TIS)/Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA), Hanscom Primary and Hanscom Middle School*

Jessica earned a BA in History from Clark University, along with an MA in Childhood Special Education and General Education from Hunter College. Jessica worked in Boston with Apex Behavioral Consultants for the past five years. She also served for three years as a Special Education teacher in Grade 4 at the Neighborhood House Charter School in Boston. Prior to this, Jessica worked as a Lead Teacher for four years in Brooklyn, NY and Portland, OR.

Kevin Leahy *Grades K-4 Wellness Teacher, Lincoln School*

Kevin earned his Bachelor of Science in Movement Studies from Springfield College and is currently studying towards his MA in Education Leadership at Bridgewater State University. Kevin was the Physical Education Teacher at the Hyannis West Elementary School for four years and at the Clifford Granger School in Agawam for one year.

Ryan G. Ruiz *Music Teacher, Hanscom Primary School*

Ryan earned his Bachelor of Music in Music Education from Berklee College of Music. He has spent the past year working on Hanscom Air Force Base with the Information Learning Center and previously completed his student teaching in Hanscom Primary School.

Tara Sweeney *ESL Teacher, Lincoln School*

Tara holds a Bachelor of Science in Communications Disorders from the University of Massachusetts Amherst and is currently studying towards her MEd in Elementary Education at Lesley University. Tara joined the Lincoln Public Schools faculty in the middle of the 2014-15 school year as a teacher of English as a Second Language. She had previously worked in the district as a Special Education Tutor and completed her student teaching here.