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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MBUSD to Appoint Principal at Robinson Elementary School



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The Manhattan Beach Unified School District is pleased to announce the recommendation of Jacqueline O'Sullivan as the new principal at Robinson Elementary School. District Superintendent Dr. Mike Matthews will bring this recommendation to the Board of Trustees at the March 14, 2018, Board meeting. Ms. O'Sullivan emerged as the top candidate following a paper screening and panel interview by teachers, classified employees, administrators, and parents, and interviews with the Superintendent and cabinet. Ms. O'Sullivan will be replacing John Jackson, who retired after 12 years of service with the District.

Ms. O'Sullivan is the recipient of the 2011 California Principal of the Year Award and over the course of her career has taught elementary school, served as a staff development expert, and has been a school administrator for 14 years in both South Bay and Las Virgenes area schools. Ms. O'Sullivan obtained her Bachelor's degree from State University of New York at Potsdam and her Master's degree (in what?) from Loyola Marymount University.

Dr. Michael Matthews, Superintendent, stated, “We are absolutely thrilled Ms. O’Sullivan will be joining our team. She is an excellent match for Robinson and our District. She has in-depth experience in our instructional methods and has a proven track record of collaboration and of establishing a positive, student-centered culture at her schools.”

Ms. O’Sullivan is honored to join the Manhattan Beach schools. “I am extremely excited to be joining the Robinson School staff and community! I am honored to be a part of the team that supports children in an engaging and collaborative environment.”

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ABOUT THE MANHATTAN BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

MBUSD serves approximately 6,800 students from preschool to twelfth grade at eight school campuses—one preschool, five elementary schools, one middle school, and one high school. Robinson Elementary School and Grand View Elementary School were recently recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School in 2013. Six MBUSD schools have been honored as California Gold Ribbon Schools since 2015. In 2012, Grand View Elementary was named a National Green Ribbon School, joining just 77 other schools in the United States so honored that year. In 2016, MBUSD was named as a National Green Ribbon District. MBUSD’s Michael Hayden and Maggie Mabery were the *California* Teachers of the Year in 2015 and 2016. In addition to outstanding students and excellent teachers, MBUSD is extremely fortunate to have a high level of parental involvement in the schools and very strong partnerships with community partners such as the Manhattan Beach Education Foundation, PTAs/PTSAs, MBX—Beyond the Classroom, the City of Manhattan Beach, Chevron, Continental Development, the Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce, and other local organizations and businesses. More information about MBUSD is available at www.mbusd.org.