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PRESS RELEASE

COBB COUNTY ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT NAMED NEW BARTOW COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM SUPERINTENDENT

BARTOW COUNTY, Ga. (April 23, 2018) – The Bartow County Board of Education votes to name Dr. Phillip Page as the district’s next top leader. Upon the conclusion of the fourteen-day public comment period, as required by law, the Board intends to employ Dr. Page as Superintendent.

“I am humbled and honored by the Board’s confidence in me as a finalist for the position of superintendent,” says Dr. Page. “The Board’s selection process was rigorous, and I am fortunate to be selected from a field of very qualified applicants. If employed, it will be my honor to work with the dedicated staff members, students, parents, and community leaders within this accomplished school system. Dr. Harper has served Bartow County well and I look forward to building on the district’s success. My family and I are excited to become part of the Bartow community.”

The Board selected Dr. Page because of his skills, knowledge, success in previous positions, and fit for the Bartow County School System and community. John Howard, Chair of the Bartow County Board of Education states, “Dr. Page understands instruction, system finance, personnel, board relations, and system governance. He has a depth of knowledge about school system leadership, knows our system very well, and has demonstrated his ability to improve schools in the very areas that remain our focus. His character, leadership style, energy, and personality are ideally suited to Bartow County.”

Dr. Page grew up in Spartanburg, South Carolina. He earned his undergraduate degree in biology at the University of South Carolina in 1989, his master’s degree from the University of South Florida in 1997, and his doctorate from the University of Argosy – Sarasota in 2002. Dr. Page began his teaching career in Tampa, Florida in 1990 where he taught at the middle and high school levels. He came to Cobb County as an administrative assistant in 1998 and has worked there until the present. In the Cobb County School System, Dr. Page served as assistant principal of Kennesaw Mountain High School and Lassiter High School, and as principal of Garrett Middle School and North Cobb High School. Since 2015, Dr. Page has served as Assistant Superintendent of Cobb County Schools where his responsibilities include the oversight of nine high schools.

Dr. Page has been recognized for his civic, personal, and professional accomplishments. He is an Eagle Scout and has been named Acworth Citizen of the Year, South Cobb Citizen of the Year, and Georgia PTA Middle School Principal of the Year. He is a member of numerous professional associations including AASA – The School Superintendent’s Association, the National Association of Secondary School Principals, and the Georgia Association of Educational Leaders.

Dr. Page and his wife, Colleen, have been married for twenty-four years. They have two children, a daughter named Casey, who is a junior at Marist College in New York and a son, Chris, who is a freshman at the University of Georgia.

During the superintendent selection process, the Board reviewed application materials from twenty-two candidates, considered survey input from community members and employees, and interviewed seven applicants.

To ensure a seamless transition, we anticipate Dr. Page to work with Dr. Harper for several weeks and assume the duties of Superintendent in June, just in time to oversee the preparation for another successful school year in Bartow County.

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