

# CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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March 29, 2018

Dear Morse Faculty, Staff, Families and Students,

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Chad Leith as the next Principal of the Morse School. Chad is currently Principal of the Horace Mann Laboratory School in Salem, Massachusetts. He holds a Doctorate degree in Culture, Communities and Education from the Harvard Graduate School of Education, a Master's degree in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages from Boston University School of Education, and a Bachelor's degree in Government from Harvard College.

Sincere gratitude is extended to Principal Pat Beggy for her dedicated and energetic leadership of the Morse School over the past fifteen years. Chad, Pat, and Assistant Principal Samantha Headley will be working together to facilitate a smooth transition in leadership as the school year draws to a close.

Thanks are also extended to the Morse School's Search Advisory Committee (faculty/staff members Marquis Aiguier, Therese Bellino, Peggy Jeram, Jennifer LaValle and Nancy Mazzei; parents Sam Batchelor, Kim Bostic-Williams, Matthew Correia and Shannon Finley; and administrative representatives Heidi Cook and Adrienne Stang) who dedicated many hours working collaboratively with our administrative team to find the next leader of the Morse School. This group devoted extensive time and effort to screen resumes, interview candidates, conduct site visits, and make decisions about reducing the field of applicants to a small number of finalists for my consideration.

We look forward to having Dr. Chad Leith join our school leadership team. He is a resident of Cambridge and will be spending time at the school during the next few weeks to become acquainted with staff, students and parents. Please join me in welcoming him to the Morse School community.

Sincerely,

Kenneth N. Salim  
Superintendent of Schools