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Blue Ridge Elementary School Principal Announced

Columbia, MO -- Mark Burlison will be recommended to the Board of Education next month to become the principal at Blue Ridge Elementary School for the 2018-19 school year.

Burlison will replace current Principal Kristen Palmer who was previously announced as the new principal at Two Mile Prairie Elementary School for next school year.

Burlison is currently the assistant principal at Blue Ridge Elementary School. Prior to working at Blue Ridge, Burlison was the assistant principal at Mill Creek Elementary School for two years and an elementary school teacher for nine years. He has an undergraduate elementary education degree from William Woods University and holds graduate degrees from the University of Missouri and Southeast Missouri University. He will complete his doctoral degree in educational leadership from William Woods University in 2019.

“We’re excited to have Mr. Burlison continue his leadership role at Blue Ridge. He will continue the school’s mission to help all students be learners and prepared for the future,” said Superintendent Peter Stiepleman.

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