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Jeff Kerr to Join Norwood Public Schools as New Fine Arts Director



Jeff Kerr will join the Norwood Public Schools as the new Director of Fine Arts beginning July 1. (Photo courtesy Norwood Public Schools)

NORWOOD -- Superintendent Dave Thomson is pleased to announce that Jeff Kerr will join the district as the new Director of Fine Arts beginning July 1.

Kerr recently served in the role of Head of Performing Arts at the Portsmouth Abbey School in Rhode Island and has many years of experience as a music teacher at both the middle and high school levels. His professional experiences include work in theater and music technology.

Kerr received his Bachelor of Arts in Music Education from Ithaca College in New York and holds a master's degree from The Graduate Institute in Bethany, Connecticut. He is also currently completing Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (CAGS) work at Bridgewater State University.

“We have conducted a thorough search and hiring process with many opportunities for involvement from the wide range of stakeholders involved in the arts here in Norwood.

Jeff's commitment to the arts, vision for the program and ability to connect with stakeholders makes him an excellent candidate to replace Catherine Connor-Moen," Superintendent Thomson said. "I would also like to congratulate Mrs. Connor-Moen on a stellar career here in Norwood and wish her well in retirement."

Kerr's wife, Lisa, just graduated from Merrimack College with a Master of Education in Community Engagement and is the Managing Director of the Newport String Project in Rhode Island.

Jeff and Lisa have two children, Emma, a student at Emmanuel College and Caellum who works for Looking Upwards in Newport. The family also has two dogs, Finn and Lola, and a cat, Charlie. In his spare time Kerr plays the bagpipes and is a Miami Dolphins football fan. He also loves the Red Sox and Bruins.

One of Kerr's favorite quotes is, "One of the reasons we're here is to be a part of this process of exchange," by Dizzy Gillespie.

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