

# Abington Public Schools



I am pleased to announce that Mr. Christopher Basta has accepted the position of Beaver Brook Elementary School Principal effective July 1, 2019. Mr. Basta earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology and Anthropology from Fairfield University in Fairfield, Connecticut. He continued his education at Sacred Heart University where he earned a Master of Arts Degree in Elementary Education and a Minor in Educational Leadership. He is currently enrolled in the University of New England's Doctor of Education Program. Mr. Basta is currently the assistant principal at the Redding Elementary School, a pre-school through grades 4 school in Redding, Connecticut. In this position, he created student support protocols for academic, behavioral and crisis support as well as developed comprehensive student support protocols to address academic, behavioral and SEL development. He served as the Safe School Climate Specialist to implement the school's climate plan and address behavioral issues with restorative discipline and peer mediation techniques, generated a school vision statement with input from all stakeholders, collaborated with math and literacy coaching staff to refine literacy/math workshop model implementation for grades K through 4. He planned and presented professional development activities related to District and School Improvement Plans.

I want to again thank our screening committee members, Chris Coyle, Nancy Clancy, Marianne Dankese, Jonathan Hawes, Jenn Jacobs, Harla Manesis, Kate Minnehan, Felicia Moschella, Pam Neely, Kerri Ronzio and Ashley Trudeau for all of their assistance with the selection process.

Peter Schafer, Superintendent of School