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## **Salina USD 305 Announces New Principal at Sunset Elementary School**

Salina Public Schools proudly announces the selection of Brandon J. Cheeks as the Sunset Elementary Principal effective July 1, 2021.

Cheeks has been an educator for 16 years, most recently serving as assistant principal at South Middle School. Previous experiences include two years as school administrator in Newton, Kansas and 13 years teaching social studies at Lakewood Middle School. At Lakewood Middle School, he coached basketball, track and cross-country sports.

He is St. John's MBC Assistant to the Pastor and is a student support advisor at Kansas Wesleyan University. Cheeks is a board member for the Greater Salina Community Foundation.

Cheeks earned his bachelor's degree and teaching certificate from Kansas Wesleyan University. He earned his master's degree in educational leadership from Kansas State University.

Lonny Schropp, currently principal at Sunset Elementary School, will retire at the end of this school year.



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