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## Irvington UFSD Appoints Assistant Director of Pupil Personnel Services

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Dear Irvington School Community,

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Francis Tolan as the Assistant Director of Pupil Personnel Services.

Throughout the rigorous and comprehensive search process, Francis continually impressed everyone with his deep knowledge and resourcefulness. He demonstrated that he values the importance of interpersonal connections and strong communication in establishing partnerships with students and their parents, colleagues and members of the school community. I am enthused to welcome Francis to the Irvington school community and believe that he will have an immediate positive impact on the department and our students' experiences.

Francis most recently served as Interim Acting Assistant Principal at One World Middle School in the Bronx, where he monitored the professional development series, oversaw the special education department and led day-to-day school operations. He also worked as a peer collaborative teacher at Leaders of Tomorrow Middle School, where he developed lesson plans to support all students' learning needs and led innovative and student-centered programs. Prior to that, he served as a special education teacher at the Globe School, as well as a fellow adviser at New York City Teaching Fellows. He holds a bachelor's degree in english and political science from the University of Notre Dame, a master's degree in education from City College of New York and a school building leader license from the Center for Integrated Teacher Education.

Appointed today during a special Board of Education meeting, Francis will step into his role beginning May 31st. Please join myself and the Board in welcoming Francis to the Irvington school community.

Very truly yours,

Kris

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