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Lori Cornwell Named Assistant Principal at Oneida Middle School

The Schenectady City School District is pleased to announce the appointment of Lori Cornwell as a new Assistant Principal of Oneida Middle School.

Cornwell joined the district in February 2022 as an 8th-grade English Language Arts teacher at Oneida. Over the past four years, she has proven herself to be an invaluable asset to the school, serving as a dedicated member of both the Building Leadership Team and the PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) Committee.

As a Therapeutic Crisis Intervention for Schools (TCIS) certified educator, Cornwell is deeply committed to trauma-informed practices. In her new administrative role, she will continue to share this expertise with staff and students to foster a safe, supportive, and inclusive school culture.



Before coming to Schenectady, Cornwell built a diverse background in education and leadership. Her prior experience includes teaching 9th and 10th-grade English at the St. Anne Institute, serving as an APEX teacher for the Albany City School District, and operating as the Director of Kid Central Child Care.

Cornwell earned her Bachelor of Arts in English Adolescent Education from The College of Saint Rose and a Master of Science in Education in Literacy (Grades 5-12). She completed her post-master's program in Educational Leadership at the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts (MCLA), earning her School Building Leadership certification, and is on track to complete her Certificate of Advanced Studies in Administration from MCLA this August.

Guided by the core belief that a single person can make a profound difference in someone else's life, Cornwell's daily mission is to ensure that both staff and students feel genuinely valued, supported, and empowered to grow.

Outside of the classroom, she enjoys running, singing, antiques, and spending quality time with her friends, family, her husband, and their two beloved dogs, Lionel and Harriett.

Please join us in congratulating Ms. Cornwell as she transitions into her new role as Assistant Principal. She began in her new role on July 20, 2026.