



## Mooresville Consolidated School Corporation

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# Kern Joins Mooresville Schools as Chief Learning Officer



MOORESVILLE, Ind. – Scott Kern has accepted the position of Chief Learning Officer for Mooresville Consolidated School Corporation in Mooresville, Ind. Kern comes to Mooresville from Whiteland Community High School, where he has served as principal this past year. He will begin work at Mooresville in July.

Kern received his Principal Licensure from Indiana Wesleyan University earned his Master’s Degree from Ball State University. He completed his undergraduate work at Hanover College. He has been a member of the board of directors of the Indiana Association of School Principals as well as the District 10 Vice President and President.

As the Chief Learning Officer, Kern will be responsible for the oversight of virtual and digital learning; national, state and local assessments; and the district’s transition to the national common core state standards.

“I am very excited and thankful for the addition of Mr. Scott Kern to our Mooresville Schools Family,” said Superintendent Brad Lindsay. “Scott is a Mooresville Schools Community mission fit. He is a person with a high standard of character and professional competence. Scott is a champion for learning and innovation. He is the right person at the right time to partner with our teachers, staff, administrators, and greater community to provide innovative learning opportunities for our students, as we strive to prepare our students to become responsible citizens who are college and workplace ready to compete and to contribute.”

Prior to his time at Whiteland, Kern was principal of Triton Central High School, where the school implemented a 21<sup>st</sup> century learning system which received the recognition in the New Tech High program as a national demonstration site. Under Kern’s leadership, the school also established a foundation for its professional learning community, developed local and national partnerships to support student learning, and created curricular innovations in world language and mathematics. Kern also served as principal of Triton Central Middle School, a four star school, for two years. Kern’s rich administrative experience began as a Dean and then Associate Principal at Greenfield-Central High School.

“In this new era of free market and high stakes fiscal and performance accountability, Scott Kern will provide right leadership to advance our District Goal of Enhancing Instruction and Engaged Student Learning leading our P – 12 Mooresville Schools Learning System,” said Lindsay. “Scott is a visionary lead learner for digital learning, high school and college dual credits, career and technology education, community connectivity and service, transition to the national common core state standards, and the professional training and implementation of our new staff appraisal system. Scott will be a leader of learning champion as we continuously strive to make learning exciting, relevant and challenging for our students who we are privileged to serve.”

“We are certainly disappointed in the news that Mr. Kern will be leaving us, but he has had an impact that I

believe will be long-lasting on our students, teachers, and fellow administrators,” shared Dr. Kevin Caress, Superintendent of Schools of the Clark-Pleasant Community Schools. “He paved the way for our 21<sup>st</sup> Century curriculum development. He worked especially hard establishing project-based learning strategies into our current high school curriculum. This new position is a great opportunity for professional advancement for Scott, and despite our loss, we wish him the best.”

In addition to his work as an administrator, Kern earned high praise as a teacher. He spent 11 years teaching social studies at Greenfield-Central High School and was an Indiana Teacher of the Year Semifinalist in 2003.

"I am looking forward to joining the Mooresville team in the role of Chief Learning Officer," said Kern. "It is evident to me that the staff and community are dedicated to providing students with an innovative and rigorous learning experience that will prepare them for success in college or the career of their choice. I am excited to be part of a cutting edge school district and leadership team that is 'pioneering' the way in Indiana on many educational fronts."

“Our students have an amazing amount of potential and an entire world of information literally at their fingertips today,” said Dr. William Roberson, Mooresville school board president. “Having someone of Scott’s talent focus on the many facets of curriculum, the important component of standardized testing, and the possibilities of virtual learning will strengthen our curricular offerings and the learning possibilities for our students.”