

PRESS RELEASE

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The Connecticut Association of Public School Superintendents (CAPSS) has announced the appointment of Mrs. Fran Rabinowitz as the new Executive Director of CAPSS, effective July 1, 2017. Mrs. Rabinowitz will replace Dr. Joseph Cirusuolo who will retire after leading the organization for the past nine years.



CAPSS is the statewide educational leadership organization whose mission is “to lead the continuous improvement of public education for all students by advocating public policy for children and by developing and supporting executive school leaders.” Their membership is comprised of all Superintendents of Schools and many Assistant Superintendents in Connecticut.

The appointment of Mrs. Rabinowitz was by unanimous vote of the CAPSS Board of Directors at its meeting on February 3, 2017. Fran Rabinowitz brings a wealth of experience to this statewide leadership position. In addition to serving as a classroom teacher and district administrator, she has served as the Associate Commissioner of Education for the State of Connecticut, the Superintendent of the Hamden Public Schools, and most recently as the Interim Superintendent of the Bridgeport Public Schools.

Upon learning of her appointment to this position, Mrs. Rabinowitz stated, “I am honored to have been selected to represent the superintendents throughout the state. It will be my priority to personally connect with superintendents and other stakeholders in every community so that I can best advocate for the educational needs and advancement of all students in Connecticut.”

Dr. Alan Addley, President of CAPSS (and Superintendent of the Granby Public Schools) stated, “I am tremendously excited about Fran Rabinowitz’s appointment as the next Executive Director of CAPSS. For over thirty years Fran has proven herself as a strong, highly respected and exceptional educational leader in the state. Fran possesses the vision, expertise and courage necessary to lead CAPSS into the future and she will be a passionate advocate for all of Connecticut’s public school students.”

The Executive Board of CAPSS was assisted by Executive Searches at Cooperative Educational Services (C.E.S.) in the recruitment and selection process for this position.

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