

New Assistant Superintendent Announcement - Dr. Kelly Harding

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - Dr. Kelly Harding is thrilled to be permanently joining the Grande Yellowhead Public School Division (GYPSD) team as Assistant Superintendent of Board Relations, Communications, Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment.

Dr. Harding joined the Division in an acting role in February after serving as a research consultant at Alberta Education. Prior to that, she spent 27 years in a variety of teaching and leadership positions in Alberta and British Columbia. Kelly's work developing innovative programming to ensure students successfully transition out of high school and into their next steps was recognized with a Provincial Excellence in Teaching Award. Her doctoral work, addressing alternative new teacher induction processes to develop teacher efficacy and establish career-long reflective practices was awarded a leadership excellence award through the Alberta Teacher Association's Council for School Leadership. Kelly credits the success of this work to the dynamic, reflective and innovative teams she's been part of and to the commitment of community stakeholders to support outstanding programs and experiences for all learners.

Kelly was raised in Devon, graduating from John Maland High School, before beginning her own educational journey at the University of Alberta. She is married to Dan Harding, her husband of 22 years. They have two children; Ian, who has just completed his first year studying Computer Science and playing Volleyball at Augustana Campus, and a daughter, Blythe, who is looking forward to starting Grade 9 with all her friends and teachers in September. Kelly is an avid reader and runner and looks forward to contributing to and supporting the outstanding work of GYPSD.



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