

Dear United Community Staff, Students, and Families,



My name is Elyse Brimeyer. I am thrilled and honored to be our new Elementary Principal as we look forward to the 2022-23 school year! I absolutely love the elementary-level age group and working with children to help blossom and grow throughout their learning journey is one of the greatest joys of my life. Being an Elementary Principal is my calling and I sincerely can't wait to meet all of you!

I began my career in education in 2007 as a Vocal and General Music Teacher with the Johnston Community School District and quickly learned that I not only loved teaching, but I also had a

passion for leading in the school setting. In 2012, I had the amazing opportunity to serve the Perry Community School District as Director of Teaching and Learning, focusing on curriculum, instruction, assessment, and professional development initiatives. From 2013-2022 I was an Elementary Principal with the Urbandale Community School District at Olmsted and Jensen Schools. It was in this setting that I discovered the importance of a child's school experience being one of belonging, significance, and fun! As an elementary principal, I pride myself in building capacity to create and sustain a school culture and climate focused on high expectations for academic, social-emotional, and behavioral learning.

My training and educational background include a Bachelor of Arts in Music Education K-12 from Iowa State University (2007), a Master of Arts in Education from Viterbo University (2008), a Master of Arts in Educational Administration and PreK-12 Principal Licensure from Iowa State University (2013), and I am currently a Doctor of Education in

candidate at Iowa State University (*anticipated graduation* 2023). Outside of my professional life, I love to garden, cook, travel, run, walk, bike, listen to podcasts, and spend time with my family. My husband (Ted) is a high school choir director in Urbandale and also teaches and conducts at Drake University. Our children (Malley 13, Saffi 11, and Augie 8) and two dogs (Remy and Zeke) keep us active and busy! In our

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household, music activities and soccer fill our schedules and bring big smiles to our faces!

So far in 2022, my greatest learning has been that community and family mean everything, with strong relationships at the heart of it all. I am eager to build community and family with all of you!

Sincerely, Elyse Brimeyer United Community School Elementary Principal



Students, you can scan this QR Code to hear Mrs. Brimeyer read this letter to you!

