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AMBRIDGE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT HIRES DR. L. JOAN WELTER AS SUPERINTENDENT

for immediate release

On Wednesday April 19, 2017 at its regularly scheduled voting meeting, the Ambridge Area School District Board of School Directors voted to hire Dr. L. Joan Welter to be the District's next Superintendent. Dr. Welter will have a three year term beginning July 1, 2017. Dr. Welter and her family have lived in the District for over 20 years, and she has been the Director of Human Resources at North Allegheny School District since 2014.

"Dr. Welter has deep roots in the community and decades of experience as a teacher, principal, and central office administrator," Board President Scott Angus said. Tech and Learning Magazine named Dr. Welter 2013 Technology Leader of the Year and she received the Life Changing Educator Award from Vincentian Academy/Duquesne University, among other awards. "We're extremely pleased to have an award winning educator and administrator like Dr. Welter leading our District," Mr. Angus said.

Dr. Welter received her Master's and Doctorate degrees in Education from the University of Pittsburgh and her Bachelor's degree in Special Education from Ball State University. She was Assistant Superintendent at Hampton Township School District from 2007 to 2014. From 1997 to 2007, Dr. Welter was a principal at North Allegheny and Seneca Valley School District and an Assistant Principal at Shaler Area School District from 1993 to 1997. Dr. Welter was a teacher for 10 years prior to becoming an administrator.

"I love to get things done and meet challenges head on. With my experience, I bring a skill-set of problem-solving and creative thinking. I value joining with others to find solutions for growth and improvement, and I could not be more excited to serve Ambridge Area School District, its students, staff, faculty, and community as Superintendent," Dr. Welter said.