



# LORAIN CITY SCHOOLS

---

Longfellow Middle School  
305 Louisiana Avenue, Lorain, OH 44052  
lorainschools.org  
440.830.4220 fax 440.288.1149

June 2018

Longfellow Titan Family,

I am so honored to become a part of the Longfellow Titan Family! As I begin my role as the turnaround principal of Longfellow Middle School, I am excited to begin our journey in making their middle school experience full of learning and joy. My passion for educating and supporting the students of Lorain began 24 years ago as a teacher and has transitioned into leadership roles at Whittier Middle School, The Lorain High Annex and Southview Middle School. My priority at Longfellow Middle School is to ensure that every scholar receives the best, well-rounded education that prepares them for success in their future and to become life-long learners.

I am also excited to introduce Mr. Andrew Hoffman and Mr. Brandon Proctor. Mr. Hoffman will serve on the leadership team as the Dean of Academics. He began his educational career with Lorain City Schools where he taught third grade. He also spent some time teaching in Chicago and served in a k-8 building as the Response to Intervention (RTI) and Assessment Coordinator. Mr. Hoffman is so excited to be back in Lorain and will be working with our teachers on instructional strategies.

Mr. Proctor will serve as the Dean of Scholar and Family Engagement. He taught at McLain High School in Tulsa, Oklahoma and also at Jenks East Intermediate School in Jenks Oklahoma. He also served as the Department Chair of Social Studies. Mr. Proctor attended Kent State University and served in the United States Military. He will be working with our scholars, parents and community.

This team will be focused on three areas to support our scholars in their middle school journey. We will focus on a culture of excellence where scholars are thriving, focused on learning and have clear expectations of what it means to be a Longfellow Titan. We will work to create a culture of instructional excellence where lessons are rooted in standards, rigor and data. Finally, we will work towards promoting a culture of achievement. Teachers and leaders will focus on analyzing scholar work and assessments to provide the intervention and enrichment our scholars need to achieve academic success.

We have also made it a goal to develop meaningful partnerships with our families and community resources. We will work toward collaborating with all of our stakeholders to ensure voices are heard. We will communicate with parents consistently and ask parents to communicate with us as well.

We are so excited to begin our year and look forward to working with parents, community, scholars and staff.

Sincerely,

Rae Bastock





## Turnaround Principal & Dean Bios 2018-2019

### LONGFELLOW MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### Turnaround Principal:

**Rae Bastock** she is a Lorain native, attended Lorain City Schools, and has been employed with Lorain City Schools for 23 years as both a teacher and administrator. She graduated from The University of Akron with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education and obtained her Master's Degree in Administration from Ashland University. She is currently working towards her Doctorate in Educational Leadership. She began her administrative career at Whittier Middle School, served as the principal of the Lorain High Annex and at Southview Middle School. In her role as a principal, she has created an ACT prep class for selected 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade scholars to begin their journey towards their path for college readiness. She has also created a school culture of data driven decision making through teacher developed assessments. She is passionate about high expectations for all scholars and providing the needed support to staff for all scholars to reach success. She is an avid Disney fan and has been to Disney World more times than she should admit!

#### Dean of Academics:

**Andrew Hoffman** is a native of Northeast Ohio, Andrew graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education and obtained his Master's Degree in Educational Leadership from Ashland University. As a life-long learner, Andrew plans to continue his formal education in leadership in hopes of beginning his Doctorate degree in the near future. Andrew began his teaching career with Lorain City Schools where he taught third grade for two years before moving to Chicago and serving in a K-8 building as the Response to Intervention (RTI) and Assessment Coordinator. During his time as RTI Coordinator, his school experienced tremendous growth in both reading and math, finishing with over 80% of scholars achieving their yearly NWEA benchmark. On a personal note, Andrew is an avid sports fan. He played soccer collegiately and has coached high school athletics for seven years. Andrew also enjoys being outside with his wife, Kelsey, and their 100lb Golden Retriever, Moose.

#### Dean of Scholar & Family Engagement:

**Brandon Proctor** taught at McLain High School in Tulsa, Oklahoma and also at Jenks East Intermediate School in Jenks, Oklahoma. During Mr. Proctor's time at McLain, he served as Department Chair of Social Studies. During this time, he increased the participation of students taking the ACT test from 5 to 75 students per year. At Jenks, he taught special education math to grades 5 and 6. Students at Jenks voted Mr. Proctor "Teacher of the Week" on four different occasions. His students at Jenks averaged two years of growth in math. Prior to beginning his teaching career, Mr. Proctor served in the military before starting his undergraduate studies at Kent State University, College of Education. He graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Education and a Minor in History. While attending Kent State, he received a Service Leadership Award from the College of Education for his work in creating a non-profit organization called Books Forever. Mr. Proctor is married to Rassa and they have a two-year old daughter named Navya. He enjoys fishing and spending quality time with his family.



# LORAIN CITY SCHOOLS

---

Longfellow Middle School  
305 Louisiana Avenue, Lorain, OH 44052  
lorainschools.org  
440.830.4220 fax 440.288.1149

Junio de 2018

Familia Longfellow Titan,

¡Me siento tan honrada de formar parte de la familia Longfellow Titan! Al comenzar mi función como Principal de Transformación de la Escuela Intermedia Longfellow, estoy emocionada de comenzar nuestro trayecto para hacer que su experiencia en la escuela intermedia esté llena de aprendizaje y alegría. Mi pasión por educar y apoyar a los estudiantes de Lorain comenzó hace 24 años como maestra y ha pasado a funciones de liderazgo en la Escuela Intermedia Whittier, el Anexo de la Escuela Superior de Lorain y la Escuela Intermedia Southview. Mi prioridad en la Escuela Intermedia Longfellow es asegurar que cada estudiante reciba la mejor educación integral que lo prepare para tener éxito en su futuro y convertirse en un aprendiz de por vida.

También me entusiasma presentar al Sr. Andrew Hoffman y al Sr. Brandon Proctor. El Sr. Hoffman servirá en el equipo de liderazgo como el Decano de Estudios Académicos. Él comenzó su carrera educativa en las escuelas de la ciudad de Lorain donde enseñó tercer grado. También pasó algún tiempo enseñando en Chicago y sirvió en un edificio k-8 como el Coordinador de Respuesta, Intervención y Evaluación (RTI). El Señor Hoffman está muy emocionado de volver a Lorain y trabajará con nuestros maestros en estrategias de instrucción.

El Señor Proctor servirá como Decano de Estudiantes y Compromiso Familiar. Enseñó en McLain High School en Tulsa, Oklahoma y también en Jenks East Escuela Intermedia en Jenks Oklahoma. También se desempeñó como Jefe del Departamento de Estudios Sociales. El Sr. Proctor asistió a la Universidad de Kent State y sirvió en el ejército de los Estados Unidos. Él trabajará con nuestros estudiantes, padres y comunidad.

Este equipo se enfocará en tres áreas para apoyar a nuestros estudiantes en su trayecto de escuela intermedia. Nos enfocaremos en una cultura de excelencia en la que los estudiantes prosperen, se enfoquen en el aprendizaje y tengan expectativas claras de lo que significa ser un Longfellow Titan. Trabajaremos para crear una cultura de excelencia educativa donde las lecciones estén enraizadas en normas, rigor y datos. Finalmente, trabajaremos para promover una cultura de logros. Los maestros y líderes se enfocarán en analizar el trabajo y las evaluaciones de los estudiantes para proveer la intervención y el enriquecimiento que nuestros estudiantes necesitan para alcanzar el éxito académico.

También nos hemos trazado una meta para desarrollar alianzas significativas con nuestras familias y recursos comunitarios. Trabajaremos para colaborar con todos nuestros grupos de interés para garantizar que se escuchen las voces. Nos comunicaremos con los padres constantemente y les pediremos a los padres que se comuniquen con nosotros también.

Estamos muy emocionados de comenzar nuestro año y esperamos trabajar con los padres, la comunidad, los estudiantes y el personal.

Sinceramente,

Rae Bastock



---

Home of the TITANS