



# Press Release

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## Western School Division Hires School Administrators

Morden Manitoba,

Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup>

Western School Division is pleased to announce the following School Administrative hirings effective the start of the 2020-21 school year.

**Interim Principal Morden Collegiate – Janice Bonner**

**Director of the Morden Adult Education Centre – Todd Folkett**

Western School Division is very pleased to announce these hiring's. We believe that these announcements send a strong message to our students, staff, and community and will assist the division in meeting the exciting opportunities outlined in the Board's Priorities Plan.

Current Morden Collegiate Principal **Marianne Fenn** is assuming the job of Interim Assistant Superintendent of Schools for next fall.

**Kelly Vipond** – the current Director of the Morden Adult Education Centre – is leaving Western School Division to take on a Guidance and Counselling role in Carman. We wish her the best in her new endeavors!

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### **Janice Bonner – Interim Principal Morden Collegiate**

It is my pleasure to accept the opportunity to begin working in the Western School Division as the principal of Morden Collegiate Institute.

I have spent my teaching and administrative career in Thompson, Manitoba with the past five years working as the vice principal of R.D. Parker Collegiate. I have been a choral, English, and resource teacher at the secondary level, as well as a literacy coach and grant writer for the School District of Mystery Lake. I have been fortunate to try various positions during my career and I am certainly looking forward to this next professional step.

My children are all but grown. My eldest daughter resides in Winnipeg and has just completed her Science degree at the University of Manitoba. My son is currently working on his third level as a heavy-duty mechanic, and my youngest daughter will be joining me at the Collegiate to complete her grade 12 as a French Immersion student.

It will certainly be a very busy summer but I am looking forward to the challenges ahead.

### **Todd Folkett – Director of the Morden Adult Education Centre**

Mr. Folkett has been teaching for twenty-two years and for the past six years has been the full-time teacher at the Morden Adult Education Center. Prior to this, he had taught at École Morden Middle School and in the Flin Flon and Brandon School Divisions. Mr. Folkett has a Bachelor of Education degree from Brandon University. He grew up in Killarney and is a graduate of Killarney Collegiate.

He and his wife Shannon have a teenage daughter Finley and have enjoyed making Morden their home during the past twenty years. Mr. Folkett enjoys many sports and has coached a variety of activities within the school division and community. Todd is excited to be a part of the administrative team and to continue to work with the fantastic students and staff at MAEC.

## **School Administration Teams 2020-21**

### **Minnewasta School**

Principal	Geoff Sutton
Vice-Principal	Jennifer Kroetsch

### **Maple Leaf School**

Principal	Samuel Jerema
Vice-Principal	Michael Ward

### **École Morden Middle School**

Principal	Garth Shindle
Vice-Principal	Jordan Pauls
Vice-Principal	Ashley Zylstra

### **Morden Collegiate Institute**

Interim Principal	Janice Bonner
Vice-Principal	Tania Sigurdson

### **Morden Adult Education Centre**

Director	Todd Folkett
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