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**Andover, Mass.** – Andover Public Schools welcomes Andover native Timothy Corkery as principal of West Middle School. Currently, Tim serves as the principal of the Nettle Middle School in Haverhill, Massachusetts.

“Tim’s leadership style focuses on collaboration and building strong relationships,” notes Superintendent Sheldon Berman. “We are confident Tim’s experience will benefit West Middle students and staff. I look forward to welcoming him to APS this summer.”

Tim assumed the role as principal at Nettle Middle School in 2014. At that time, Nettle was a Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) Level 3 School. Under Tim’s leadership, the Nettle School’s scholastic achievement attained a Level 1 rating.

“I am excited at the opportunity to join the Andover Public Schools leadership team,” adds Tim. “As a former student at West Middle, it feels great to be home. I look forward to being a part of the community again.”

In 2012, Tim was selected as the *Teacher of the Year* by the VFW in his Tucson, Arizona district, where he was a department head and social studies teacher from 2011-13.

Prior to his career as an educator, Tim was a Naval Officer and spent almost 25 years as a Navy pilot. Toward the end of his naval career, he served as the Executive Officer of the Naval ROTC program and an Associate Professor at the University of Arizona.

Tim received his Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis. He also has two master's degrees, from the U.S. Naval War College in National Security and Strategic Studies and from the University of Arizona in Educational Leadership.



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