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Superintendent of Schools Dr. Steven Cohen and the Greenwood Lake Board of Education are pleased to announce the appointment of Pasqualina “Lina” Polchinski as Director of Curriculum and Instruction. This position was re-established in lieu of the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, and Technology role, which will be eliminated when Sarah Hadden becomes Superintendent of Schools on July 1, 2019. Hiring a Director of Curriculum and Instruction now will help to ensure the smoothest possible transition into the upcoming school year.

Following a comprehensive search and interview process that included current teaching staff and administration, Ms. Polchinski was selected based on her many years of experience teaching at multiple age levels, as well as her love of learning and professional drive. Ms. Polchinski comes with high praise for her knowledge base, flexibility, openness to learning, endearing personality, and tremendous follow-through.

In her career, Ms. Polchinski has worked as both a regular education and special education classroom teacher, and most recently as a District K-5 Instructional Leader. In this most recent position, she led multiple staff development sessions, filled in for administrative leaves, oversaw Response to Intervention, and facilitated many meetings for both special and regular education faculty.

She is a graduate of Long Island University’s Educational Leadership program. In addition, she has a Masters in Special Education from New Jersey City University and a Bachelors of Arts in Communications/English from Felician College.

When asked about her appointment to the position, she stated, “It is an absolute honor to join the administrative team at Greenwood Lake UFSD as the Director of Curriculum and Instruction. I’m looking forward to sharing my own personal educational experiences as well as learning from all the amazing education practitioners at Greenwood Lake.”

Ms. Polchinski will begin work on January 21st, 2019.