

## News from Dripping Springs ISD

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### **DSISD HIRES ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR LEARNING AND INNOVATION**

At a special meeting on July 20, the Dripping Springs ISD Board of Trustees approved Superintendent Bruce Gearing's recommendation of Nicole Poenitzsch as the district's new Assistant Superintendent for Learning and Innovation. Dr. Poenitzsch has served 12 years in education, most recently as assistant superintendent for Sealy ISD. She began her tenure in public education as a high school English teacher and progressed through roles including department leader, junior high assistant principal, elementary principal, assistant superintendent, and adjunct professor.

In her position at Dripping Springs ISD, Dr. Poenitzsch will oversee the Learning and Innovation Department, which covers all areas of teaching and learning for the district and includes working closely with administrators at each campus to plan the learning experiences for all students.

Dr. Poenitzsch received her Bachelor of Arts and Science degree from Texas Tech University, her Master of Education (education administration) from the University of Houston-Victoria, and her Doctorate of Education (executive leadership) from Texas A&M University.

"I am honored to join in the collective effort of the district team. The district's alignment to such a clear and transformational vision is inspiring" said Dr. Poenitzsch. "My family and I are incredibly excited about becoming part of the Dripping Springs ISD community and we look forward to what the future holds."

Dr. Poenitzsch will begin her new responsibilities at DSISD in August. She replaces Ms. Diane Flaim who will be retiring from the district in December.