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### **Kelly Huff Named Regional Director of Mountain Vista Governor's School**

The Governing Board of Mountain Vista Governor's School (MVGS) announced today that Ms. Kelly A. Huff has been named Regional Director of MVGS. Ms. Huff succeeds Roseanne Williamson, who will retire as Director of MVGS, effective January 1, 2021.

"I am thrilled and blessed to bring my creative and innovative instructional passions to Mountain Vista," Huff said. "I am anxious to start my new journey, and I am honored to have been selected for this prestigious position."

Mountain Vista is a governor's school for math, science and technology that serves over 200 gifted and talented high school students from the school divisions of Clark, Culpeper, Frederick, Fauquier, Winchester City, Rappahannock and Warren. As the regional director, Huff will serve as the principal and primary administrator and will oversee the day-to-day operations, curriculum development, and faculty and staff relations.

A 19-year veteran of the public education system, Huff brings a strong instructional background, a passion for academia, and a profound dedication to student success. Huff taught English for 13 years and served as assistant principal for four years, all at Alleghany High School in Virginia. She was promoted to Director of Secondary Instruction for Alleghany County Public Schools and served in this role for two years.

As a teacher at Alleghany High School, Huff sponsored organizations such as the National Honor Society and the junior class; coached events such as the girls' soccer team and forensics team; taught English 9, English 11, dual enrollment English, and film and literature; and earned awards such as the Alleghany Highlands Chamber of Commerce Educator of the Year. She has also served as the fiscal agent for Jackson River Governor's School and sits on the Academic Advisory Board for the regional program.

MVGS Executive Superintendent Dr. David Sovine anticipates a bright future for MVGS under her leadership. "Ms. Huff is a motivating, highly energetic, and passionate educator with a variety of division and school-level leadership experience, as well as extensive teaching experience in honors/dual enrollment instruction," Sovine said. "Her strong commitment to providing authentic and innovative

learning experiences will undoubtedly serve as a guiding compass to further enhance the stellar reputation and standard of excellence at MVGS.”

Huff looks forward to being an instructional leader and guiding light for the program starting in January of 2021. “It is my goal to promote the success and welfare of the students, faculty, and staff at Mountain Vista Governor’s School,” she said.

After earning her Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Virginia Tech, Huff pursued her Master of Arts degree in English at George Mason University. She earned both her teaching licensure and administrative leadership licensure through Concord University. She is currently a candidate for her Doctorate degree in education through Radford University and is slated to graduate in December of 2022.

Huff is an avid outdoor enthusiast. If she is not working, she is outside gardening, road biking, canoeing, golfing, reading on her back porch, or spending time with family, friends, and her dog, Flynn Ryder.