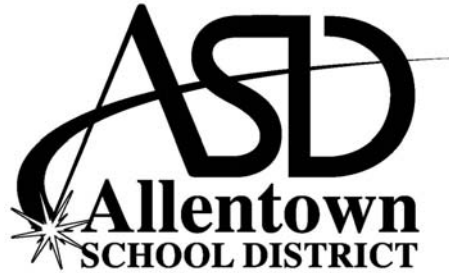


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**ALLENTOWN NAMES NEW PRINCIPAL  
FOR MIDWAY MANOR EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER**

(Allentown, PA, June 12, 2006) – Allentown School District named one of its Administrative Interns, Jeffrey Fries, the new Principal of Midway Manor Early Childhood Center. Mr. Fries replaces retiring Principal, Dr. David Snyder; who served in public education for 32 years. Midway Manor Early Childhood Center teaches kindergarten and pre-kindergarten students who continue to Sheridan, Washington and Mosser Elementary schools.

Having started his teaching career with the District in 2001 as a kindergarten teacher, Jeff had spent the 2005-2006 school year as an Administrative Intern at Mosser Elementary School. The year before he was a mentor teacher in the District, assisting over 80 elementary school teachers in improving instructional methods with technology.

“Mr. Fries has the academic knowledge and leadership skills for our early childhood center,” said Dr. Angello, ASD Superintendent. “He is professional, customer-oriented, and I am confident parents and teachers will work well with him. He has an exceptional understanding of curriculum and instruction that is needed to give our students a quality first start in school.”

Fries earned a Bachelor of Science in education from Kutztown University and will receive his Master’s degree in Educational Leadership from Wilkes University in July 2006. During his years at Kutztown, he

worked at CitySpace School-Age Child Care in Allentown, where he taught elementary school-age students.

Serving approximately 18,100 students in 22 early childhood, elementary, middle and high schools located throughout the City of Allentown, PA, Allentown School District is the fourth largest school district out of 501 Commonwealth districts.

The District's mission is to provide safe and rigorous educational experiences that motivate all students to excel in learning and life. Allentown School District employs approximately 1,218 teachers and 2,000 employees overall. [www.allentownsd.org](http://www.allentownsd.org) 484-765-4000.

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