

## **Pattonville appoints three administrators**

The Pattonville Board of Education made three appointments of administrators in June and July. The appointments became effective July 1.

The board appointed Carrie Powell as interim principal at Briar Crest Elementary for the 2007-08 school year. Powell previously served as assistant principal at Drummond Elementary School. Prior to coming to Pattonville, Powell taught in the St. Louis Public Schools and the Durham Public Schools in Durham, N.C. She holds a bachelor's degree in biology from Fairmont State College in West Virginia, a career transition certificate from the University of Missouri-St. Louis and a master's degree in educational leadership from Saint Louis University. She also completed her elementary administrative internship at Drummond before officially joining the staff. Powell took over the helm of Briar Crest, as Dr. Tim Pecoraro, previous principal, begins his official duties as Pattonville's new assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction. A full-scale principal's search will be conducted next year and will include involvement by parents, students and staff.

The board appointed Paul (Chip) Ianiri as interim administrative intern at Drummond Elementary School for the 2007-08 school year. Ianiri replaces Powell, who is now the interim principal at Briar Crest. He previously served as the instructional technology specialist at Drummond. Prior to serving as the instructional technology specialist, Ianiri taught second grade at Parkwood Elementary and fifth grade in the Jordan Elbridge School District in Jordan, NY. He holds a bachelor's degree in elementary education from the University of New York at Cortland and is pursuing his master's degree in educational administration at Lindenwood University.

The board also appointed Teisha Ashford as assistant principal at Pattonville Heights Middle School for the 2007-08 school year. Ashford previously served as a biology and physical science teacher at Pattonville High School. Prior to teaching at the high school, Ashford taught seventh-grade science at Holman Middle School and taught science in the Hazelwood School District. She holds a master's degree in educational administration and a bachelor's degree in chemistry from the University of Missouri-St. Louis.