Elementary School Principals

Name: Paula LaPlant
Position: Principal of Archdale Elementary
Born: Concord, NC
Years in education: 27
Year joined the Randolph County School System: 1993
Education:
- M.S. - Physical Education and Health (Appalachian State University)
- Master of Administration - Gardner-Webb University
Hobbies/Interests:
- Umpiring, watching my kids play sports, and watching any sports on TV
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: The staff, students, and parents are dedicated to the education of students. It takes cooperation of all three for student success.

Name: Jo Glidewell
Position: Principal of Coleridge Elementary
Born: Greensboro, North Carolina
Years in education: 26
Year joined the Randolph County School System: 1981; Left system, returned 1999 to present
Education:
- B.A. - Elementary Education (High Point University)
- MSA - Reading K-12 (NC A&T State University)
- MSA - Educational Leadership Program (High Point University)
Hobbies/Interests: Reading, camping, gardening
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: I love the fact that there are still community schools in Randolph County. Also, it is wonderful to have personal connections to other educators across the county. These things help us honor community tradition while collaboratively we embrace new ideas, which will move students and our school system forward in the 21st century.

Name: Nathan Gray
Position: Principal of Farmer Elementary
Born: High Point, NC
Years in education: 19
Year joined the Randolph County School System: 2017
Education:
- B.A. Elementary Education (University of North Carolina at Charlotte)
- Master of Arts - School Administration (Gardener-Webb University)
Hobbies/Interests: Spending time with my family, exercising, reading, woodworking, gardening
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: I really like the community atmosphere of the schools and the people are great.

Name: Debbie Sheron
Position: Principal of Franklinville Elementary
Born: High Point, NC
Years in education: 26
Year joined the Randolph County School System: 1999
Education:
- B.A. - Elementary Education (UNC-Greensboro); MSA (Western Carolina University); AIG Licensure Add-on (High Point University)
Hobbies/Interests: I enjoy reading, cooking, and spending time with family and friends.
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: Randolph County School System is home. I moved here when I was 12, attended Franklinville and graduated from Eastern Randolph. I would have to say in all the years I have been a part of RCSS, both as a student and employee, the people here stand out as my favorite. The teachers, parents, administrators, and central office personnel make Randolph County a special place. When at home, you are with your family and I consider Randolph County School System part of mine.

Name: Ross Reaves
Position: Principal of Grays Chapel Elementary
Born: Asheville, NC
Years in education: 23
Year joined the Randolph County School System: 2001
Education:
- B.A. - Psychology (East Carolina University)
- M.Ed. - School Counseling (East Carolina University)
- M.Ed. - Administrative (High Point University)
Hobbies/Interests: Family, yard work, running, cycling, participating in and watching most sports, especially college basketball.
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: I enjoy developing and growing the relationships with the students, staff, and families in our school community in which I work. The people in Randolph County are very genuine, caring, knowledgeable, and eager to help others. I find that very invigorating and motivates me to do my best each day.

Name: Aaron Barr
Position: Principal of Hopewell Elementary
Born: High Point, NC
Years in education: 19
Year joined the Randolph County School System: 2018
Education:
- B.A. - Middle Grades Education (UNC-Charlotte)
- M.Ed. - Instructional Systems Technology (UNC-Charlotte)
- Post Master’s Certificate - Administration (Gardner-Webb)
- Ed.S. - (UNC-Greensboro)
Hobbies/Interests: Being with family, watching the Tar Heels play basketball, running when I can, listening to music.
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: Everyone has been so welcoming and helpful! I look forward to building relationships in Randolph County with staff, students, and co-workers.

Name: Anthony Warden
Position: Principal of John Lawrence Elementary
Born: Winston-Salem, NC
Years in education: 27
Year joined the Randolph County School System: 1993
Education:
- B.S. - Physical Education and Health (Appalachian State University)
- Master of Administration - Gardner-Webb University
Hobbies/Interests: Umpiring, watching my kids play sports, and watching any sports on TV
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: The staff, students, and parents are dedicated to the education of students. It takes cooperation of all three for student success.
Name: Cindy Walker  
Position: Principal of Level Cross Elementary School  
Born: Charlotte, NC  
Years in education: 24 years  
Year joined the Randolph County School System: 1992  
Education: B.A. - Elementary Education (UNC-Greensboro); Masters of Arts - Reading Education (North Carolina A&T State University); Administrative Add-on (Gardner Webb University).  
Hobbies/Interests: I enjoy reading, watching movies, and spending time with family and friends.  
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: My favorite thing about the RCSS is the family atmosphere. It’s a place where you are known by your name, where people will talk to you, and you have a lot in common with.

Name: Kelli Harrell  
Position: Principal of Liberty Elementary  
Born: High Point, NC  
Years in Education: 25  
Year Joined the Randolph County School System: 1994  
Education: B.A. - Elementary Education (UNC-Charlotte); M.Ed. - K-12 Reading and PMC Administration (UNC-Greensboro)  
Hobbies/Interests: Spending time with family, reading, and camping  
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: With the exception of college attendance, I’ve been in RCSS since I was 5 years old! Through the years, I’ve had countless teachers and mentors who have been instrumental in helping me achieve my life goals and develop a servant’s heart. I can’t imagine working anywhere else!

Name: Kimberly A. Bowie  
Position: Principal of New Market Elementary  
Born: Burlington, NC  
Year Joined the Randolph County School System: 2013  
Education: B.S. - Special Education (East Carolina University)  
M.Ed. - Special Education (UNC-Greensboro)  
NBPTS – Special Education  
Post Master’s Certification - Administration (UNC-Greensboro)  
Hobbies/Interests: I enjoy watching my boys play soccer, reading books, cooking, watching movies, and spending time with family and friends.  
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: My favorite thing about RCSS is the passion and love for children. Everyone is focused on what is in the best interest of children. The entire staff of RCSS works together as a team to accomplish the goal of educating all children.

Name: Tammie Abernethy  
Position: Principal of Ramseur Elementary  
Born: Attalla, Alabama  
Year Joined the Randolph County School System: 1999  
Education: B.A. - Elementary Education (High Point University)  
M.Ed. - Educational Leadership (High Point University)  
Hobbies/Interests: Spending time with my family, reading, traveling  
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: My favorite thing about Randolph County Schools is the community of people: the students, my colleagues and staff, the volunteers and all of the stakeholders who work together for the sake of our children.

Name: Penny T. Baber  
Position: Principal of Randleman Elementary  
Born: Raleigh, NC  
Year Joined the Randolph County School System: 2006  
Education: B.S. - Elementary Education (Wingate College)  
English as a Second Language (UNC-Greensboro)  
M.Ed. – Curriculum (UNC-Greensboro)  
AGU add-on Certification (UNC-Pembroke)  
Post Master’s – Administration (UNC-Greensboro)  
Hobbies/Interests: Camping, reading, crock pot cooking and being a soccer mom  
Favorite thing about Randolph County School System: One of my favorite things about RCSS is its commitment for all students to be successful.

Name: Jamie Armfield  
Position: Principal of Seagrove Elementary  
Born: Fayetteville, NC  
Year Joined RCSS: 2002  
Education: Bachelor of Social Work (UNC-Greensboro)  
M.Ed. (Elon University)  
Post Masters - Administration (UNC-Greensboro)  
Hobbies/Interests: Spending time with my family, traveling, photography  
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: I love that RCSS is a family! Everybody knows each other and is supportive of each other.

Name: Ann Carol Grant  
Position: Principal of Southmont Elementary  
Born: Abbeville, SC  
Year Joined the Randolph County School System: 2018  
Education: Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education (Charleston Southern University)  
Master of Arts in Christian Education (Southern Baptist Theological Seminary)  
Master of School Administration (University of North Carolina at Greensboro)  
Hobbies/Interests: I enjoy spending time with my family and my four dogs, outdoor projects, and traveling, especially spending time at the beach.  
Favorite thing about Randolph County School System: I am thankful for the true focus on doing what is best for the children followed closely by RCSS’ commitment to also doing what is best for our educators.
Name: Ceretha Mitchell  
Position: Principal of Tabernacle Elementary  
Born: Winston-Salem, NC  
Years in education: 28  
Year joined the Randolph County School System: 2015  
Education: B.S. - Elementary Education K-6 (Appalachian State University); MSA – K-12 (Gardner-Webb University)  
Hobbies/Interests: I enjoy spending time with my family. Many weekends are spent watching my one son play college sports and my other son play high school sports.  
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: All RCSS employees have made me feel very welcome. The Tabernacle Elementary staff is a dedicated, caring staff where students come first!

Name: Todd Henderson  
Position: Principal of Trindale Elementary  
Born: Orange, CA.  
Years in education: 23  
Year joined the Randolph County School System: 1997  
Education: B.S. - Secondary Education (Buffalo State College); MSA (Appalachian State University); Ed.S. (Appalachian State University)  
Hobbies/Interests: During my free time, I enjoy building, remodeling, and wood working. I love spending time with my wife and two children at the beach, in our pool, or snowboarding down a mountain.  
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: My favorite thing about Randolph County are the strong family values the children are taught by their parents and community. I love working for a school system that still operates like a family and treats its employees like family. I been amazed over the last 18 years how supportive the parents and community have been for all of the schools in Randolph County. I am honored to work in a community that values education and puts children first.

Name: Ginger Crites  
Position: Principal of Trinity Elementary  
Born: Wiesbaden, West Germany  
Years in education: 22  
Year joined the Randolph County School System: 2005  
Education: B.S. - Elementary Education & Middle Grades Education (Greensboro College); M. Ed. - Curriculum & Instruction (UNC-Greensboro); Post Masters Certificate - School Administration (UNC-Greensboro)  
Hobbies/Interests: I enjoying reading, walking, watching sports, and spending time with family and friends.  
Favorite thing about the Randolph County School System: One of my favorite things about RCSS is the team concept that everyone has within the school system. We are definitely all working together to make sure our students succeed!