

The Newgrange School of Princeton, Inc. Appoints Tim Viands Head of Schools and Executive Director

The Board of Trustees of Newgrange Inc. is delighted to announce the appointment of Tim Viands as our Head of Schools and Executive Director. After concluding a nationwide search for Dr. Gordon Sherman's successor, the Board unanimously elected Mr. Viands to lead us into the future.

As we transition to new leadership, we would be remiss if we did not acknowledge and honor Dr. Sherman's inspirational vision and vital contributions to Newgrange, Laurel, and The Ann Robinowitz Education Center. His visionary work not only brought us to this pivotal juncture, but also lives on. During the search process, it became clear that Dr. Sherman and Mr. Viands share similar educational philosophies and that under Tim's leadership, these tenets will continue to guide the evolution and growth of our schools and education center.

Expressing his excitement about his appointment, Mr. Viands said:

"It's an honor and a privilege to join the Newgrange School and Laurel School community. During my visit, I was deeply impressed with the schools, particularly with the commitment of the faculty and the engagement of the students. Newgrange and Laurel are leading the way in helping amazingly creative young people "become their best selves."

I am also beyond excited to lead The Ann Robinowitz Education Center as a national and global leader in educator training and research-based approaches to language-based learning differences.

Forwarding Dr. Gordon Sherman's groundbreaking work is paramount and will be the lighthouse for us."

Tim Viands earned his B.S. from Towson University and his M.A. from Wesleyan University. Most recently, he served as the headmaster at Grand River Academy—an all-boys boarding school in Ohio for young men who have amazing potential, but learn differently. He's served on the board at the Ohio Association of Independent Schools and Big Brothers Big Sisters of NE Ohio. He has led accreditation visits for the Independent Schools Association of the Central States (ISACS) and believes professional development is integral to a forward-thinking school.

As we got to know Tim, we could see that his driving force is his affinity for, as he says, "the underdog" and his dedication to unlocking the incredible potential of students like ours. We are excited about Tim's focus on fostering an atmosphere of shared vision, planning, programming, and philosophy among Laurel, Newgrange, and the education center. We also are thrilled by his dedication to making The Laurel School of Princeton the gold standard for educating young people with language-based learning differences.

Tim officially begins his position on May 1, 2018, and plans to hit the ground running—focusing on outreach, a listening and learning tour, and spreading the word of the amazing opportunities for students at The Laurel School of Princeton and The Newgrange School.

Sincerely,



Ann Robinowitz

President and Chair of the Board

PS: If you would like to reach Tim Viands with any questions and/or expressions of congratulations, please email Ann Winter at awinter@thenewgrange.org.