



Announcing the new Principal of Tolland Middle School, **Mary Grande**! Mary comes to us by way of Bolton, where she has been an Assistant Principal, and Principal for almost 10 years. Before that Mary served as a Teacher, Administrator, and Athletic Director for the Manchester Public Schools. Mary has a lineage in education with father who served in the field of education, and two grown children - both educators. As you might imagine, in her decades of educational experience she has done it all: teaching, scheduling, curriculum implementation, discipline, parent and community involvement, teacher evaluation, safe school climate work, assessment work, Scientifically Research Based Interventions, and Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports. Beyond all of this, she is a gregarious, personable, kind, intelligent, and dynamic leader. She is student centered and focused on the love and humanity required to help children and an organization be successful!

Please welcome her to our Tolland Public School community. She will be making her first visit to Tolland Middle School on December 14<sup>th</sup> to meet the staff, and hopes to join us early in the New Year. A meet and greet with parents will be scheduled soon after she starts.