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ANDREW HEINEMANN NAMED NEW CEO OF TUCSON VALUES TEACHERS

TUCSON, Ariz. — The Tucson Values Teachers (TVT) Board of Directors has selected long-time local educator, Andrew Heinemann, as the non-profit organization's new Chief Executive Officer. Heinemann, who is currently principal at Cross Middle School in Amphitheater Public Schools, has previously served on the TVT Board of Directors and on the Raytheon Leaders in Education Awards selection committee. He will start his new position as CEO of TVT on July 1, 2019.

"Andrew Heinemann has the experience and classroom-based viewpoint on education our community needs to move the profession forward. His extensive, first-hand experience as a teacher and principal in the Tucson area will support the work of Tucson Values Teachers and our efforts to attract, retain, and support teachers," said Clint Mabie, Chair of TVT's Board of Directors. "Last year, Tucson Values Teachers celebrated our 10th anniversary. The Board of Directors has purposely selected an educator to lead our next decade, in partnership with the profession, to expand and deepen our impact."

Heinemann has spent the past three decades working in education. He was an elementary and middle school teacher for 10 years, while earning his Masters Degree in Educational Leadership from Northern Arizona University. Heinemann served as principal at Harelson Elementary School from 2002 to 2014, and most recently as principal at Cross Middle School starting in 2013.

"I have personally witnessed how the needs of education has drastically changed over the years," said Heinemann. "I am well aware there is a teacher crisis at hand and I want to continue my work in education by leveraging the resources and programs offered by Tucson Values Teachers and the collaboration with the business community to really support these teachers. When I first started teaching, I became inspired to become an administrator who set high expectations and empowered teachers to be their very best; I will now do the same as CEO of Tucson Values Teachers."

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Tucson Values Teachers (TVT) is a business and education partnership focused on helping schools and districts attract, retain and support the very best teachers for every K-12 classroom in Southern Arizona. The organization recognizes the critical role teachers play in student achievement and the vital influence they have on Tucson's future. It does this work by raising public awareness of the value of the teaching profession while providing programs that benefit teachers economically and professionally. For more information and to support TVT, visit tucsonvaluesteachers.org or call (520) 327-7619.