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Dr. Antonio Shelton Named New Samohi Principal

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education approved the appointment of Antonio M. Shelton, Ed.D., as the new principal of Santa Monica High School at the August 10, 2016 regular meeting.

Dr. Shelton comes to SMMUSD from Indian Hill High School in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he served as principal since 2011. Indian Hill High School is ranked in the Top 100 schools in America by Newsweek and has earned a gold star ranking by US News and World Report.



Prior to this position he served as assistant principal for curriculum and instruction at William Mason High School in Mason, Ohio from 2009 to 2011. He served as assistant principal at Sycamore High School in Cincinnati from 2004 to 2009.

Dr. Shelton began his teaching career in 1998 teaching honors United States and world history along with government and African American history.

In his recent assignment as high school principal, Dr. Shelton conducted weekly learning walks, attended school activities throughout the year, implemented student learning objectives, cultivated school community, facilitated professional learning communities and managed the school budget. He was involved with technology adoptions, the parent teacher organization, Project Lead the Way, mission and vision coordination, Advanced Placement opportunities and served on community college STEM committee. Dr. Shelton created student programs that emphasized the importance of diversity within the school culture and worked with teachers on making sure that all students felt valued and appreciated.

Dr. Shelton is known as a dynamic educational leader who demonstrates care and compassion for others while creating a collaborative learning environment where students and staff members may reach their full potential.

"I am excited about this new and amazing opportunity to lead Samohi," Dr. Shelton said. "It is my hope to entrench myself into the school community and get to know the many students, faculty and parents. I am looking forward to continuing the academic success and collaborative spirit that Samohi has experienced."

Dr. Shelton holds a Bachelor of Arts in history from Hampton University; a Master of Arts in social studies with an emphasis in social studies, psychology, political science and sociology from Ohio State University; a Masters of Art in educational administration from the University of Cincinnati and a received a doctorate in educational leadership from the University of Kentucky.

"Dr. Shelton will be a valuable addition to our district leadership team," Interim Deputy Superintendent Dr. Mark Kelly said. "I would like to congratulate him on his new position and welcome him to SMMUSD."

Dr. Shelton replaces Eva Mayoral who left the district in July to be with family out of state.

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