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ZWOLLE ELEMENTARY LEADER NAMED 2021 SABINE PARISH PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR



January 8, 2021- Mrs. Cindy Lewing, Principal of Zwolle Elementary School (ZES), is the 2020-2021 Sabine Parish Principal of the Year. The school year has been challenging for ZES, home to Pre-K through sixth-grade students, dealing with both the COVID-19 pandemic resulting in school closures in Spring 2020 and the Fall 2020 reopening of school. Still, Mrs. Lewing has continued to lead the school and help bring along the construction and completion of a new state of the art elementary wing and administrative offices with the latest security features which opened to students and staff this school year.

Mrs. Lewing states, “My greatest accomplishments at ZES are introducing and implementing ‘Leader in Me’ and educating ZES students on how to be leaders in the classroom today and leaders of the community tomorrow.” ZES’s School Performance Score (SPS) is currently a 63.8, a 2.4 increase over the previous 2018 SPS. ZES earned an “A” letter grade for student progress in 2018 and 2019.

Mrs. Lewing is a native of Sabine Parish and a 1989 graduate of Ebarb High School. She was named principal of ZES in 2019. She previously served as ZES Assistant Principal as well as an Instructional Coach and classroom teacher in Sabine Parish. She holds a Bachelor’s and a Master’s degree in Elementary Education along with a +30 in Educational Leadership from Northwestern State University. In 2013, she earned Reading Specialist certification. She is a 2019 graduate of the National Institute for School Leaders (NISL). Mrs. Lewing will compete for the title of Louisiana Principal of the Year this summer.

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