



Dear Friends in Christ:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I write this day with very good news about our Day School.

Mr. Thor Kvande, who is currently our Interim Head of School, has accepted the School Board's invitation to become our permanent Head of School.

In his few months here, Mr. Kvande has embraced, and been embraced, by the St. George Community. I am thrilled that our new partnership is set for the foreseeable future. I look forward to our partnership in the Gospel as we serve the students, families, faculty and staff of St. George School.

Below is a letter of announcement from our School Board President and parish member, Cynthia Klint, with details about Mr. Kvande's experience and the search process. I encourage you to read it and give thanks for God's generous provision of leadership for our School.

Join me in welcoming Thor and his wife, Dawn, to the St. George Community. Please continue to keep Mr. Kvande, his family, our School and all of us who provide leadership and oversight during this exciting time of transition and moving towards an exciting future.

Peace,
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Dear St. George Community,

I am thrilled to announce that after an extensive nationwide search, the Board of Directors of SGES has appointed Thor Kvande as the St. George Episcopal School (SGES) Permanent Head of School beginning July 1, 2023.

As the Interim Head of School, Mr. Kvande has brought stability, promise, and vision during a time of transition at SGES. Similar to his interim appointment, Mr. Kvande's appointment as Permanent Head of School follows the overwhelming endorsement of many constituents in our school community, the unanimous recommendation of the Head of School search committee, and the unanimous approval of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Kvande brings years of experience in an Episcopal school environment, as both a Head of School and Director of Middle School. He not only has significant leadership experience but direct teaching experience which will benefit our community as we enter our new chapter in the school's history. Mr. Kvande's commitment to building relationships with purpose, joy and understanding, as well as developing the next generation of academically prepared servant leaders, aligns directly with our community vision to "empower servant leaders with wisdom, courage, faith, and love to make a positive impact locally and globally."

SGES was fortunate to have eighteen applicants for the Permanent Head of School position. The Search Committee carefully reviewed each applicant's credentials and attributes and determined there were two top finalists for the position. After examination and interviews, it was clear Mr. Kvande is the best fit for SGES. The Committee and Board believe Mr. Kvande will be a purposeful conservator of all that makes SGES special.

The Board would like to extend its gratitude to the entire SGES community for all the ways students, staff, faculty, and families participated in this process over the past several months. We owe our deepest thanks to the members of the Search Committee — Chair Lindsay Blanton, Frank Castellano, Tiffanie Clausewitz, Fred Copeland, Elizabeth Kiehne, Arden McLean, Clay Michel, the Rev. Ram López, Erica Valladares, and Bradley Warr. This team did a tremendous amount of work and were thoughtful and dedicated throughout the process to ensure the right person was selected to shepherd SGES. We are so appreciative of their commitment to this important work and their facilitation of a process that yielded such wonderful results.

The Board of Directors is excited to have Mr. Kvande continue the work he has begun this year and looks forward to an ongoing partnership as we continue to make SGES an even more exceptional school and community.
Sincerely,

Cynthia Klint
School Board President
St. George Episcopal School