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Press Release

Alexandria Country Day School (ACDS) Interim Head of School Announced

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ALEXANDRIA, LA — Alexandria Country Day School (ACDS) announced today that Susan Lair, Ph. D. will serve as the Interim Head of School during the 2018-2019 school year following the retirement of current head, Nancy Rials.

Dr. Lair has 45 years of experience in education with the last 26 in independent schools in Texas. Earlier this year, she retired after 17 years as Head of School at St. Francis Episcopal Day School in Houston.

“Susie will bring a wealth of independent school experience which will allow ACDS to continue to develop the leaders of tomorrow for our community,” said Susan Broussard, ACDS Board of Trustees president. “She will help us continue on our path of academic excellence and evaluate opportunities to improve all aspects of our school.”

Dr. Lair has a B.S. in Education from the University of North Texas; a M.S. in Education Administration and Math Education from Texas Christian University; and a Ph.D. in Education Administration and Finance from the University of Texas.

Prior to her position at St. Francis Episcopal, she served as the Head of Upper School of St. Mary’s Hall in San Antonio and in various roles at Fort Worth Country Day School. She began her career as a mathematics teacher in the Bryan and Fort Worth Independent School Districts. Currently Dr. Lair is on the Board of Directors of the Independent School Associations of the Southwest (ISAS) and conducts trainings for new Heads of School workshops for Independent School Management, Inc.

Dr. Lair is first and always a teacher and children are her passion. Susan and her husband, James, have three grown children and six grandchildren.

“Alexandria Country Day is a fantastic school with an excellent faculty,” Dr. Lair said. “I am eager to be part of this team and community.”

Rials announced her retirement in March 2017 effective July 2018.

Established in 1969, ACDS is accredited by ISAS and serves students from 3 years old in its pre-kindergarten program to eighth grade.

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