



# Bridging Communities

Regional Career and Technical Center  
Governor's STEM Academy

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## Julie Ellis Selected as Executive Director of Bridging Communities

**NEW KENT, VIRGINIA** -- The Bridging Communities Board of Control is pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs. Julie Ellis as Executive Director of Bridging Communities Regional Career & Technical Center. The selection of Mrs. Ellis is the result of a comprehensive and intensive search process that involved a wide group of stakeholders.

Mrs. Ellis comes to Bridging Communities from New Kent County Public Schools, where she began her career in education as a Physical Education Teacher, serving as the Health and Physical Education Department Chair and Activities Director at New Kent High School. Mrs. Ellis' dedication and commitment to her students as a teacher was exceptional, with a sharp focus on helping every student find their path to success. Her desire to move into administration led to a steady progression to Assistant Principal at New Kent County High School, where she has served in this capacity for the past six years. Her work as Division Safety Coordinator and in supervising various departments, particularly the Career and Technical Education (CTE) department, allowed her to be selected to serve as the Interim Director for Bridging Communities this past spring. She is a strong advocate for students who looks for innovative solutions.

Mrs. Ellis earned her BS in Health Education & Athletic Training from VCU and her M.Ed in Educational Administration from William & Mary. She is currently pursuing her Doctorate/EdD in Educational Leadership at VCU.

A local who grew up in York County and currently resides in James City County with her husband of 21 years and their two Labradors, Mrs. Ellis loves to travel, saltwater fish and spend as much time on the water as possible.

Please join The Bridging Communities Faculty, Staff, Board of Control and Superintendent's Council in welcoming Mrs. Ellis as Executive Director of Bridging Communities. We are confident her leadership abilities, drive for student success and overall commitment to education will serve her well in this complex and multifaceted role.