

## **Dan Newcott**

Dan Newcott has been a lifelong educator dedicated to the successful development of young people in the state of Delaware for over 25 years. His life in formalized education began as an ELA teacher in middle school where he served in traditional, diocesan, and charter school education delivering dynamic lessons across all grades 6-8, the majority of which were at Newark Charter School. While serving as a teacher, he learned the value of understanding connections and building relationships with all stakeholders involved with impacting the classroom in a positive way. While he has since moved out of the classroom, his roots in education as a teacher will always be represented in understanding the value of contributions made by all stakeholders as a key component of any successful school.

Beyond the classroom, Dan seized any and all opportunities to grow as a leader and gain a larger sense of how schools work from a more global viewpoint. While a teacher, Dan served as teacher representative on the School Board, as Team Leader, as a teacher representative on School Council, as well as taking on many other teacher leader opportunities. These voluntary positions would lead to the development of a foundation in leadership while transitioning to roles in administration.

As an educational leader, Dan has had the distinct pleasure of serving grades K-12 in the Newark Charter School organization as an administrator in all four of the current buildings. His most recent endeavor in administration has been serving as the founding Principal of the brand new NCS Junior High School. Along with opening a new facility, Dan was tasked with onboarding 150 new NCS students and 30 new staff members as part of NCS' most recent expansion project. These additions made the NCS Jr. High School one of the largest in the state totaling just under 750 students and over 70 staff members. After the completed expansion, NCS has continued to maintain an elite level of excellence in academics and decorum by adhering to the standards and principles stated in the school's charter.

Dan and his wife Jennifer reside in Wilmington, DE with their two kids Bradley and Kelly. They spend most of their time as a family running to different sports fields as both Bradley and Kelly play sports competitively for both their respective high schools, and also for travel/club teams. When Dan does get a minute away from the sports field, he enjoys hiking, fishing, concerts, and (what is tremendously unpopular in these parts) rooting on the New York Yankees and Giants.