

KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS 2015-2016 MIDDLE SCHOOL ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR

Jamie Wetig, principal of Valley Center Middle School, was selected as the KAMSA Middle School Assistant Principal for the 2015-2016 school year.

He has been Assistant Principal at Valley Center Middle School in Valley Center, Kansas for the last three years. He graduated from Kansas State University in 1999 where he majored in Secondary Education, earned his Masters in Building Leadership from Emporia State University in 2008, and recently completed his District Leadership endorsement from Fort Hays State University in 2013.

Mr. Wetig is currently completing his 17th year of service in Kansas Public Schools. His tenure includes nine years as a classroom teacher and coach, and eight years in administration, with experience serving as a building administrator at both the elementary and secondary levels.



Kent Hipp, Valley Center Middle School Principal, had the following to say in his nomination letter for Jamie Wetig: “Mr. Wetig has seventeen years of successful service in Kansas public schools which has shaped his philosophy and practice, as well as provided him with a rich background of experiences and skills. In his current position as the Middle School Activities Director/Assistant Principal he serves as the administrative liaison for both our English Language Arts and social studies professional learning communities. Through collaborative leadership our focus has been on curriculum development, alignment, and the implementation of a multi-tiered system of supports. He also serves as a member of our Building Improvement Team supporting many school wide objectives including, the development of a positive behavior support model, staff recognition, and academic initiatives. His approach is people centered, participatory, communicative and focused on cultivating a person’s natural talents while managing and improving their limitations. Effective leadership is putting the right people in the right positions to help the organization be successful. Jamie is approachable, compassionate, effective listener, problem solver, futuristic, strong communicator and accountable to all stakeholders. Most importantly he models the desired traits while balancing accountability of staff members towards the achievement of the district’s strategic plan. He has been committed to building a culture of excellence that is founded on honesty, integrity, hard work, commitment, and dedication to meeting the needs of every student every day.”

Jamie has a wife, Robin, of 19 years, and three children, two boys, Skyler, serves in the U.S. Army; Alec, attends Garden City Community College and plays football; and Brittany, currently a Senior at Valley Center High School.

In his spare time, Jamie and his family like to attend Kansas State University sporting events, travel, and spend time with family and friends.