



# LAKE TAHOE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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### *SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, CA –*

The Board of Education of the Lake Tahoe Unified School District has approved the recommendation to offer employment to Mrs. Ivone Larson as the Principal of South Tahoe High School, effective August 1, 2006 at an annual salary of \$95,697. Mrs. Larson went through a rigorous screening process and was interviewed by a team of District staff members, members of the community and students. Mrs. Larson obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree from U.C. Irvine in 1980 and received her Masters of Arts degree from CSU Dominguez Hills in 1998. She is a resident of South Lake Tahoe and was employed as a teacher at South Tahoe High School from 1989 to 2001. In 2000, when she considered a career change, she became a Coordinator, and then a Program Manager for Sacramento County Office of Education's Region 3 AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) Program, serving ten counties, while still maintaining her residence in South Lake Tahoe.

Mrs. Larson's career ladder is unique in that she has extensive experience in program management, staff development, technology, negotiations, K-16 curriculum and teaching. Her expertise is organizational and interpersonal and she has the ability to develop collegial teams while supporting high academic and achievement standards. She is multilingual, with the ability to speak three languages. She understands English language learners as well as college-bound students. What sets her apart is her "can do spirit" her flexibility and creativity, her passion for equity and excellence, and, as stated by her immediate supervisor, Christopher Scott, "she truly approaches problems as opportunities".

The District is in the process of refining its academic programs K-12 and Mrs. Larson will become an integral part of that change process as South Tahoe High School initiates the implementation of the 4 x 4 block schedule.