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New deputy minister in the Department of Education

WHITEHORSE—Premier Darrell Pasloski announced today that Judy Arnold will be the interim deputy minister of Education.

"Ms. Arnold has many years of experience as an educator and as a senior public servant," Pasloski said. "Through her work in Yukon and elsewhere she has shown a dedication to building relationships with all members of the community, which is crucial for delivering a strong education system."

Arnold has over 20 years of experience as a teacher, principal and district supervisor in Ontario and remains a member of the Ontario College of Teachers. From 2001 to 2009 she held management positions with the B.C. government's Ministry of Education, where she worked with superintendents across the province to improve student achievement. She moved to Yukon in 2010, and has worked as a senior manager with the Department of Education, where she helped build positive relationships and improve outcomes for all learners.

She has an undergraduate degree in English and a Master's of Education in Curriculum Studies from the University of Western Ontario.

Arnold will assume her new role on March 16.

Valerie Royle resigned from the deputy minister position yesterday. The premier would like to thank Ms. Royle for her many years of service as a deputy minister of Education and the Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board.

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