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Broomfield Academy Names New Principal
Small Class Sizes to Remain a Cornerstone

BROOMFIELD, May 5, 2010 — Broomfield Academy announced today the appointment of Pat Garner as Principal, effective June 1. “Finding a successor to the leadership of Dr. Vanessa Ewing was a daunting challenge but we have come up with a real winner,” said Broomfield Academy spokesperson, Michael Greenberg.

Garner was selected from more than thirty highly qualified applicants by the Broomfield Academy Principal Search Team, which included teachers, parents, board members and administrators. “A committee reviewed all the candidates and Garner quickly emerged as the clear leader,” Greenberg explained. Pat's experience and passion are a terrific fit for the school,” he continued.



A Rhode Island native, Garner has had a distinguished career. Mrs. Garner has taught first through eighth grade for over twenty years in both public and private school settings. She received her master's in Elementary Education from the University of Rhode Island and her bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and Special Education from Rhode Island College. She holds a lifetime Teaching License in the State of Rhode Island, a Colorado Professional Elementary Education Teaching License and a State of Colorado Early Childhood Education Director's Qualification. She has received numerous awards and

honors over her career and most recently worked as the Principal of Community School for the Gifted, in Littleton, which she founded in 1991 and where she was responsible for the development of the upper grade and middle-school programs.

She has continued to expand her professional knowledge through an extensive list of courses and

certifications. She has also been an active member of numerous professional organizations including the National Association of Gifted Children, The Colorado Association for Gifted and Talented and the Colorado Association for the Education of Young Children. She strongly believes in differentiation as a way to meet the individual educational needs of each student. Her favorite quote is by Eleanor Roosevelt: "*The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.*"

After learning that she was the selected applicant for this position Garner stated, "This opportunity is very exciting! I look forward to working with the students, parents and staff at Broomfield Academy. It is amazing how closely the philosophy of Broomfield Academy is aligned with my work as an educator over the past twenty years," she added.

"The growing enrollment at Broomfield Academy provides not only an outstanding opportunity to further refine and develop the programs already in place, but provides an opportunity to innovate as the school expands," Garner stated. "The integration of swimming into the PE program in the newly renovated pool and the continued growth in the upper grades are two areas where I'll initially focus my energy and attention. I expect that we'll evaluate options to expand our athletic program and to better utilize the facilities and amenities we have on campus," she continued.

Based on her references and recommendations, Principal Ewing regards Garner as one of the best principals in town, perfectly matched to manage and lead Broomfield Academy's programs for exceptional, accelerated and creative students. "I am elated about her joining and taking over as Principal," she said. "She is what we were seeking for our families, and more. She is energetic, enthusiastic, creative, knowledgeable...and loves kids and teaching," she explained. Ewing, Broomfield Academy's current Principal, will continue to work at the school starting in the fall, in a part-time advisory capacity, following the birth of her baby.

"It is wonderful to have the continued support from Dr. Ewing," Garner noted. "Being able to consult with her, when needed, is a real plus for me and for the families at the school. The strong commitment and support that has been shown by Broomfield Academy parents will continue to be an important part of the success of the school," Garner added.

Garner has been married to her husband, Jack, for over 30 years and they have two sons. Pat loves to read and her favorite children's book is *Charlotte's Web*. Gardening is a favorite pastime. She also is an avid sports fan and closely follows local professional teams. Her greatest love away from school, however, is for Scotties.

About Broomfield Academy

Broomfield Academy is a nationally accredited high quality private elementary school for children ages 3–12. Enrollment is currently open for full or part-time academic preschool, full-day kindergarten and grades 1–6. The school also offers a variety of educational and fun summer programs, including an academic preschool, a kindergarten prep class, an elementary prep class and a summer enrichment camp.

In all of its programs, there is a strong focus on learning. The school focuses on academic excellence through the development and implementation of individual student learning plans for each student and a well-rounded and advanced curriculum to help children reach their fullest potential. In addition to a very strong core academic program, the school offers specialty courses to all students in world language (Mandarin Chinese and Spanish), world music, art, technology and physical education. Broomfield Academy maintains a focus on character development, which includes a “core virtue of the month” program, along with significant community service and charitable involvement.

Broomfield Academy also offers a before- and after-school program for working parents with programs throughout its five-acre campus. For more information, visit <http://www.broomfieldacademy.com>.

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