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Dear Oakton Staff and Parents:

I am proud to announce that Christine Gray, currently an assistant principal at Laurel Ridge Elementary, has been appointed principal of Oakton Elementary School. Her official start date is Tuesday, December 1, 2009.

Christine has had fourteen successful years as an educator, including six years as an administrator in the Fairfax County Public School (FCPS) system. Ms. Gray has had an outstanding career as an administrator and school counselor with FCPS. Currently, she is serving as the assistant principal of Laurel Ridge Elementary School where she has been instrumental in leading staff development on Professional Learning Communities (PLC), assessment protocols, and Response to Intervention (RTI) procedures. Prior to Laurel Ridge, Ms. Gray served as the assistant principal at Newington Forest Elementary School. She has also worked as a LEAD Fairfax assistant principal intern at Timber Lane Elementary School, and a school counselor at Gunston Elementary School.

Ms. Gray brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to this position, including creating and presenting an FCPS Academy Course: *VGLA: A School Team Approach*, and launching the Professional Development School partnership between Newington Forest and Marymount University.

Ms. Gray received her Bachelor of Science degree in psychology from the University of Mary Washington and her Masters of Education degree in school counseling from the University of Delaware, with an endorsement in school administration and supervision from the University of Virginia.

In addition to a love of teaching, Ms. Gray enjoys reading, spending time with her family, and traveling with friends. Please join me in welcoming Ms. Gray as the new principal of Oakton Elementary School.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fabio E. Zuluaga".

Fabio Zuluaga  
Assistant Superintendent, Cluster VIII

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