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Bloomfield- Toni Hill has taken over as the new Bloomfield Superintendent as of July 1st. She was the superintendent at Portageville for the last six years before coming to Bloomfield where she was a teacher and principal once before.

Hill and her family have just recently moved to Bloomfield and they have been very busy. Between getting things ready for the school year and getting moved into their new home she has been swamped. Luckily she is no stranger to the town. Her husband, Jeremy Hill, went to Bloomfield for a few years and they have family in the area. She has two sons Jake Young, a sophomore at SEMO and Dawson Hill, a third grader at Bloomfield and one daughter Lindsey Young who is about to start her sophomore year of high school.

Hill is from a family of educators. Phil Dawson, a superintendent at Bernie Schools for twenty-one years is her father and her mother, Penny, taught Fifth grade at Dexter for several years. Hill graduated from Bernie High School and also played volleyball. While working at Portageville she coached volleyball for one year.

Hill is taking over the superintendent job after Dr. Nicholas Thiele. She is not new to Bloomfield schools. After graduating from SEMO and teaching one year of Sixth and Seventh grade math at Hayti, she started teaching freshman math and science at Bloomfield. While she was teaching she was also working on getting her administrator's

degree from SEMO. After teaching for two years she started as a part-time Middle School principal and still taught freshman science. After one year of that she became the High School principal where she worked for six years. After leaving Bloomfield she took a job as a superintendent at Portageville where she stayed for six years.

Hill should be great for the job. She has plenty of experience and is familiar with the school and the area. She seems eager for the school year to start and is ready to attend her first school board meeting tonight July 16th.

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