The Bluegrass Middle School Site Based Decision Making Council has selected the school’s assistant principal, Tanya Jury, to serve as the school’s next principal.

According to a district news release, she will take over duties from current principal Michael Elmore who is retiring in June.

“Bluegrass is near and dear to my heart. Our work to provide a phenomenal educational experience for our Bulldogs will continue,” Jury said in a news release. “Our students, staff and parents are tremendous. I look forward to serving them to the best of my ability.”

She started her teaching career at Bardstown Middle School in 2006 where she taught reading, writing, science and social studies in her seven-year tenure there.

Jury is in her second stint as assistant principal at Bluegrass. She returned this school year after working at Nelson County High School as an assistant principal and principal for a combined four years.

She came to Bluegrass the first time in 2013 as an instructional specialist and assistant principal in 2013 before leaving for Nelson County in 2015.

“Ms. Jury will do a great job as the school’s principal,” Hardin County Schools Superintendent Teresa Morgan said in the release. “She knows the Bluegrass students, staff and families very well and her experience will be an asset. She is well-versed in the instructional strategies that will help students be prepared for high school and beyond.”
Jury is a Washington County High School and Western Kentucky University graduate. She earned her Master of Arts degree from Morehead State University. She holds a doctoral degree in education from the University of Kentucky.