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## **Community Schools of Frankfort Director of Literacy Selected as PDK Emerging Leader**

ARLINGTON, Va.—Angela Schoenbeck, director of literacy for the Community Schools of Frankfort in Frankfort, Ind., has been named a PDK Emerging Leader for her work developing initiatives that create change in the methods of professional learning, pedagogy, climate, and classroom practice in her district.

“Looking closely at the students we teach and responding to them in a way that helps shape their identities as citizens of the world is our most essential work,” Schoenbeck said. “It is not standardized test preparation.”

PDK International, the education association that has recognized Schoenbeck as an up-and-coming leader in the K-12 profession, will host Schoenbeck and 25 other education change agents at a weekend networking event this December. The PDK Emerging Leaders will gather in Washington, D.C., meet with federal education policymakers, and share best practices with each other.

“The Emerging Leaders program is our way of paying it forward in public education,” said William J. Bushaw, PDK International’s executive director. “We find people under 40 who are standouts in the profession and we bring them together for a weekend of networking and expertise-sharing in the nation’s capital. By investing in these young leaders, we are investing in the future.”

PDK International is an association that represents nearly 30,000 professionals in K-12 education across the country. Every year, it recognizes a new class of PDK Emerging Leaders. For more information on PDK’s 2013-2014 Class of Emerging Leaders, go to [www.pdkemergingleaders.org](http://www.pdkemergingleaders.org). Information about PDK International is at [www.pdkintl.org](http://www.pdkintl.org).

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