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Academic Magnet High School is delighted to announce that Dr. Kelly Simpson will be joining our Raptor team for 2022-23 as our school Athletic Director.

Originally from Weaverville, North Carolina, Dr. Simpson has spent her career in the Charleston area working with local coaches and athletes at the division I collegiate level. Over the past two decades she has worked in a variety of roles in higher education including: campus recreation, college admissions, and most notably as a senior-level intercollegiate athletic administrator at The Citadel. Her understanding of college athletics will offer a valuable perspective to our AMHS Raptor athletes both during their high school years and in their future beyond high school.

As one of her most proud professional accomplishments, Dr. Simpson played a critical role leading The Citadel's women's athletic programs during a period of rapid expansion in the mid-2000's. She is passionate about sports and the myriad ways that athletics can benefit students. For the past six years, Dr. Simpson has taught courses in Leadership Studies, Sport Management, and Health, Wellness, and Fitness at The Citadel and the College of Charleston.

Dr. Simpson is a proud Clemson Tiger. At Clemson University, she was a member of the women's track and cross country teams as an undergraduate. She also earned her masters degree at Clemson while serving as a graduate assistant within the athletic administration office. Dr. Simpson earned her Doctor of Education in Leadership from Charleston Southern University.

In her personal life Dr. Simpson is an avid runner and loves to spend time outdoors with her husband and two children. We are all excited to see the Raptor athletics program build on its previous success under Dr. Simpson's leadership.

Go Raptors!

