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## **10TV WELCOMES RICK McLAUGHLIN AS NEWS DIRECTOR AT WBNS**

(COLUMBUS, Ohio) 10TV - WBNS announced today that Rick McLaughlin will be the news director at WBNS.

“As a born and bred Buckeye, Ohio has always been home and holds a special place in my heart,” said McLaughlin. “I'm excited to join an amazing group of journalists at WBNS who are focused on serving our community, reporting the truth and holding the powerful accountable.”

McLaughlin, a graduate of Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio, began his career as a morning news producer in Cincinnati, before being promoted to executive producer roles in Milwaukee, Saint Louis and Boston. He held assistant news director roles in Cincinnati and Orlando and most recently was news director in Jackson, Mississippi at WAPT. Under his leadership, WAPT was awarded the “Station of the Year” in 2021 from the Mississippi Association of Broadcasters, launched a local public affairs program, added an additional 5.5 hours of news per week and won back-to-back Emmy awards for morning news.

“Rick has a strong track record of building strong news teams and providing audiences with important and relevant news,” said 10TV – WBNS president and general manager John Cardenas. “We look forward to Rick building on the great journalism our news team provides as Central Ohio’s News Leader.”

When McLaughlin is not at work, you will probably find him on a golf course or cheering on the Cleveland Guardians, Browns, Cavaliers or The Ohio State Buckeyes. He is excited to come back home to the Buckeye State and lead Central Ohio’s News Leader.

McLaughlin starts his new role with 10TV on June 5, 2023.

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10TV - WBNS is the TEGNA-owned CBS affiliate serving Columbus. 10TV broadcasts more than 30 hours of locally produced newscasts each week and provides viewers across the region with 24/7 streaming news, weather and information through its digital platforms and apps. The station has been honored with numerous Emmy awards, as well as Edward R. Murrow, and Associated Press. Learn more at [10TV.com](http://10TV.com).