

October 10, 2023

Dear Storm King School Community,

I am so honored to have been selected as The Storm King School's 18th Head of School. I'd like to express my gratitude for the trust and confidence the Search Committee, Board, and school community have placed in me to lead The Storm King School into this next phase of its history.

Before visiting The Storm King School, I was drawn to the school's history, mission, motto, and values. I was moved by the stories of educational and personal transformation I heard from the different members of the Search



Committee in our initial conversations, and impressed with the accomplishments of the current students, faculty, and staff as I researched the school. Upon visiting campus, I was immediately struck by the warm welcome extended to me and my husband, Jay. Every member of the SKS community that I met was kind, interested, and curious, and I loved learning more about each person's hopes for the school's future. I asked each group I met the question "What about Storm King would you never want to see change?" Two answers were unanimous: the sense of community, and the focus on the strengths and uniqueness of each student.

As I embark on this new journey as Head of School, I am committed to upholding the values of the school, the focus on individual students, and the strength of community that make The Storm King School unique. I am eager to join The Storm King School family and contribute my energy, experience, and joy to the mission of the school. I look forward to meeting and getting to know each member of the community.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Shambaugh". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "L" and "S".

Lisa Shambaugh