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Ms. Cottman possesses a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Psychology from Morgan State University and a Masters of Arts in teaching/Special Education from Goucher College. She recently completed the New Leaders program and has earned her Administration I and II certificates from the state of Maryland. Ms. Cottman began her teaching career as a Special Education teacher. After eleven years in the classroom, Ms. Cottman became the Special Education Lead. From there, she served as the Assistant Principal at Violetville Elementary School and, most recently, at Fort Worthington Elementary/Middle School. In addition to her deep experience in K-8 education, Ms. Cottman helped to lead project-based learning work at her previous school and is a strong advocate for the arts. She brings deep experiences in restorative practice, as well as Special Education and Universal Design for Learning.