### Mark Draskovich '81
*Director of Pupil Services and Principal*
East Allegheny School District

As Principal and Director of Pupil Services, Mark Draskovich '81 supports homeless families, at-risk students, English as a Second Language families and homebound students. Additionally he oversees all non-academic support services including cyber education, alternative education, school counselors and school psychologists.

Throughout his career he served as Assistant Principal of Seneca Valley School District, Director of Education for Glade Run Lutheran Services and Director of Education and Director of Residential Treatment Services for Auberle. He established new alternative school programs for shelter and alternative students at Auberle, Glade Run, Seneca Valley and East Allegheny.

In addition he was the Division Commander and Master Instructor for the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary and the Division CDR for the U.S. Coast Guard Academy Support Division.

Mr. Draskovich said his greatest professional accomplishment has been providing educational and developmental programs for students who struggled in traditional settings. "They have faced trauma, abuse and their own mental health issues and deserve an education," he said.

His volunteer experience includes the following roles: U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Division Commander and Coast Guard Academic Support, former president of the Parrish Men's Club, board member of the Butler County Business, Community and Educational Partnership, and tour boat captain of the Moraine Preservation Society.

After graduating with honors and earning a Bachelor of Arts in history from La Roche University, Mr. Draskovich obtained a Master of Arts in History and a District Superintendent's Letter from Duquesne University.

"La Roche provided the holistic education and sensitivity for others and created a love for education that I wish to instill in the least fortunate of us. Education is the great equalizer," he said.