



Aug. 7, 2023

Dear Hudson City School District community:

Great news! The Hudson City School District Board of Education is scheduled to name Dr. Juliette Pennyman, a highly experienced educational leader, as the next Superintendent of Schools at its meeting Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2023. The meeting begins at 6 p.m. in the Hudson Junior/Senior High School cafeteria, 215 Harry Howard Ave.

We are excited to appoint a highly accomplished education executive with almost 30 years of experience at all levels of learning in school districts including Dallas, Kansas City, MO, and Rochester, NY.

Dr. Pennyman's vast experience as an educational leader in major cities and small districts throughout several states gives her an unparalleled insight into innovations and strategies that create an exceptional education system.

Dr. Pennyman will officially begin in her role on Sept. 1, but she will be present frequently in the district throughout August as a consultant to enhance her transition. She succeeds Dr. Lisamarie Spindler, who left the district on June 30.

Cheryl Rabinowitz, the Hudson City School District's Manager of Instructional Technology and Data Protection Officer, is serving as Interim Superintendent, and we thank her for her stellar performance in guiding the District through this transition. Ms. Rabinowitz will remain in the interim position for the remainder of the summer, returning to her permanent position upon Dr. Pennyman's arrival.

Dr. Pennyman plans to meet with various stakeholder groups, and to put an emphasis on meeting with District faculty and staff to develop a strong bond with teachers, principals and others who serve the district with such devotion.

Dr. Pennyman now serves as the Associate Dean of Academic Services at Cheyney University in the Pennsylvania suburbs of Philadelphia. She most recently served in a public school district as Interim Superintendent of the Niskayuna Central School District in Niskayuna, NY, in 2021 and 2022. Her previous positions included Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning in the Reading, PA, school district and Chief of Schools in Rochester, a district of 32,000 students. Earlier positions included serving as a principal in the Great Valley School District in Malvern, PA, and assistant principal in the Kansas City, MO, school district. She began her career as a special education teacher in several districts, including in major cities such as Dallas and Atlanta.

Dr. Pennyman also is an educational consultant and serves as educational program advisor of the LIFE Male STEAM Academy in Wilkins Township, PA. She holds a doctorate in educational

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and organizational leadership from the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, an education specialist degree in educational administration from the University of Missouri in Kansas City, and a master's degree in exceptional student education from Clark Atlanta University in Atlanta. Her undergraduate degree was a bachelor of arts in sociology from Mercer University in Macon, GA.

We are eager to see the knowledge, wisdom, compassion and love for children that Dr. Pennyman will bring to our Hudson schools.

Thank you for your partnership in our District, and your support of our children's futures.

Willette Jones, President
Board of Education
Hudson City School District