



HOGAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

A message from the Office of the Superintendent

May 23, 2019

Dear Hogan Families,

I am very excited to announce that I will have the honor and privilege to serve as the new Superintendent of Hogan Preparatory Academy.

As you know, Dr. Tanya Shippy has served as our Interim Superintendent for this past school year and she has done a great job of keeping our teachers and students focused on academics while she managed a myriad of operations' matters. Moving forward, Dr. Shippy will serve as the Chief Operating Officer and she is ready to return her focus to this area of expertise. I am thrilled to have her continued leadership on our Hogan team.

I am passionate about public education and consider myself an education entrepreneur or "Edu-preneur." I am not afraid to try something new when something isn't working. Over the last 30 years, I have been an elementary classroom teacher, principal, executive director of curriculum, assistant superintendent, and a deputy superintendent. For the last 14 years, I have served in a leadership capacity in the Kansas City, Kansas Public School administration. I earned my Master of Arts, Educational Specialist, and Doctor of Education degrees in education administration all from the University of Missouri- Kansas City.

I am pleased to share with you that through generous grants from our friends in philanthropy, our school system will have significant additional resources that we can use to truly put the "Prep" in Hogan Preparatory Academy. As a 20 year old charter school, I want us to embrace our rich tradition in Kansas City and strengthen our academic rigor. We must ensure that our students are prepped to succeed in life after high school, no matter what path they choose. I am committed to increasing our student achievement and connecting our students to real world experiences. And I know that working together, we can achieve these goals.

Over the summer, I will be holding a series of opportunities to meet me and my leadership team. We will be sharing information about our improvement efforts and provide opportunities for all stakeholders to shape the Hogan revitalization work. Please stay tuned for more information on these listening sessions over the summer.

Thank you for your continued commitment to Hogan Preparatory Academy. It is an exciting time to be a Ram and I am especially excited to be on this journey with you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jayson Strickland
Superintendent (effective July 1)
Hogan Preparatory Academy

