



A District Update from Sylvania Board of Education

Friday, April 10, 2020

On June 3, 2019, Sylvania Board of Education released a district update to the Sylvania community that detailed four steps for selecting a new superintendent. That update concluded: “We recognize the gravity of finding the right educational leader to fulfill our needs and pilot us toward our best future. We are committed to taking the time to do this the right way and with the input and cooperation of the Sylvania community. We appreciate your patience and your support during this exciting time for our school district.”

Ten months, two new board members, a staff and community survey, staff and community focus groups, three rounds of candidate interviews, a community meet and greet, and a global pandemic later, we are thrilled to announce we have reached the fourth and final step toward our promise to begin a new era in Sylvania education. ***The Board is excited to welcome Dr. Veronica Motley as the next superintendent of Sylvania Schools!***

We have chosen Dr. Motley for her breadth of educational knowledge and experience, ability to concisely express ideas, and confident yet humble demeanor. Having served the educational community as a teacher, principal, director of student services, adjunct university professor, and assistant superintendent, Dr. Motley brings with her three decades of experience across several educational areas, including curriculum, assessment, training, special education, and leadership. Throughout the interview process, Dr. Motley received shining reviews from board members, administrators, and many others in our community.

Having successfully negotiated a contract with Dr. Motley, she will be officially hired at the next regularly-scheduled board meeting, which will be held virtually this Monday, April 13 at 5:00. Dr. Motley is excited to begin this journey, and we are excited to invite her to get to know our collaborative community of staff, students, parents, and other community members even better. Despite the highly unusual circumstances of the past month, we worked hard to keep our mission of new leadership on track. This was only possible with the patience, flexibility, and support of our staff and our community, so we thank you!

Sincerely,
Sylvania Board of Education