



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Office of the Chancellor

June 4, 2014

Dear Lafayette Elementary School Community:

As you know, every year we conduct a nationwide search for the best principals to lead our schools. To deliver a high-quality education to all students, it takes a strong school leader who is singularly focused on raising student achievement. Astounding advances are possible when the right principal is leading a school. Many of you have engaged in the principal selection process for Lafayette by examining the candidates and making a recommendation to me, and I sincerely appreciate your time and efforts on behalf of our students.

After balancing your input and recommendations with the needed experience and skills that research links to success, I have concluded that your recommendation, Carrie Broquard, is the strongest candidate to lead the Lafayette school community. I am happy to report that Dr. Broquard has accepted the offer to be the Lafayette Elementary School principal. Her official appointment begins on July 1, 2014.

Carrie Broquard began her career in education as a science teacher in Los Angeles, California. Within the Los Angeles Unified School District, Dr. Broquard later served as a chemistry teacher, gifted and talented education coordinator, and an assistant principal. In 2008, she relocated to Normal, Illinois where she has served as an assistant principal, an emotional disabilities coordinator, and a clinical assistant professor in educational administration. Dr. Broquard holds a bachelor's degree in chemistry with a minor in education from Bryn Mawr College as well as both a master's degree in educational administration and a doctoral degree in educational leadership from University of California, Los Angeles.

I want to thank everyone who participated in the principal selection process, especially the school community panel that interviewed a number of quality candidates. Dr. Broquard is excited to meet all of you, and I hope you will give her your warm welcome and support as she leads your children toward success.

Sincerely,

Kaya Henderson
Chancellor