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Dr. Cheryl Proctor Named PPS’s Deputy Superintendent of Instruction and School Communities

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I am pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Cheryl Proctor as our new Deputy Superintendent of Instruction and School Communities. Dr. Proctor possesses the qualifications, extensive experience, and a demonstrated skill set to serve effectively in this critical leadership role.

Since joining PPS, Dr. Proctor, in her role as PPS’s Chief Academic Officer, has provided key leadership in multiple areas. This includes reorganizing the Office of Teaching & Learning to better strategically support academic improvement across the district, launching an ongoing curriculum adoption process, developing a systemic instructional framework, and re-aligning resources to better achieve the goals outlined in the district’s strategic plan, *Forward Together*. This work was predicated on leading her office through the assessment of past and current programmatic and instructional practices in PPS. Her leadership has also been critical in supporting schools to address pandemic-related challenges.



Dr. Cheryl Proctor

Dr. Proctor’s background includes leadership roles in two large urban school district settings. She served the students and families of the School District of Philadelphia as Assistant Superintendent, supporting high school principals to drive academic achievement through instructional improvement. She first joined their district’s central office in 2016 as Executive Director of the School Improvement Planning and Evidence-based Support Office, leading and guiding school leaders in planning and implementing programs geared toward increasing student achievement, especially for Philadelphia’s predominantly Black student population. Before her time in Philadelphia, Dr. Proctor enjoyed a 17-year career with Broward County Public Schools (Florida), where she served in school leadership roles for more than 10 years. Dr. Proctor began her career in education as a special education teacher, an exceptional student education specialist, and as a literacy specialist. Growing in leadership skill and curricular expertise, Dr. Proctor was promoted to assistant principal and later principal.

Dr. Proctor maintains a belief that “teachers are at the heart of learning, and principals create the conditions for a safe and engaging learning environment for both teachers and students to thrive.”

An accomplished academic, she earned a Bachelor of Science in Communication, with a minor in Advertising, from the New York Institute of Technology; a Master of Science in Special Education, with a minor in Reading, from Florida International University; and a Doctor of Philosophy in Educational Leadership and Research Methodology, with a minor in Education Policy, from Florida Atlantic University.

I am proud to welcome Dr. Cheryl Proctor as a new member of the district’s executive leadership team. I am confident that she shares our unwavering commitment to supporting our school communities, high expectations for accelerating and raising student outcomes, and goal of making deliberate progress towards our school system’s [vision](#).

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Superintendent