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New Jersey Department of Education Announces Candidate for Acting State Superintendent of Camden City Schools

Trenton, NJ – The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) is announcing its intent to recommend to the State Board of Education the appointment of **Dr. Davida Coe-Brockington** as the Acting State Superintendent of the Camden City School District.

“We are proud to recommend the appointment of Dr. Coe-Brockington as Acting State Superintendent of Camden City School District to the State Board of Education,” **said NJDOE Commissioner Kevin Dehmer**. “Dr. Coe-Brockington has strong roots in Camden City School District, having devoted her career to strengthening the school community in Camden and delivering meaningful outcomes for students, making her well-positioned to lead Camden’s schools forward.”

“As a respected educator, Dr. Coe-Brockington has helped expand student access to opportunities, implemented critical investments to support student well-being, and advanced academic achievement for all learners. Her leadership reflects the values we share across New Jersey: putting students first and creating schools where every child is supported and able to thrive,” **Commissioner Dehmer added**.

Dr. Coe-Brockington earned a Doctorate of Education in Educational Administration from Widener University, along with a Master of Education in Educational Administration from Cheyney University and a Master of Science (Reading Specialist PK-12) from Saint Joseph’s University. Dr. Coe-Brockington has more than 30 years of experience working at all levels of the Camden City School District, having served as a teacher, Supervisor of Language Arts, Acting Assistant Superintendent, and most recently as Principal of Creative Arts High School – a position she has held since the school’s inception in 1999.

During her tenure as principal, Dr. Coe-Brockington solidified the legacy of Creative Arts High School as a nationally renowned public school promoting academic excellence and cultural awareness through the arts. Under Dr. Coe-Brockington’s leadership, the school has developed and implemented a student-centered approach to learning that promotes parental engagement and student empowerment.

A national search for a permanent superintendent will continue in the months ahead. Dr. Coe-Brockington will assume Acting Superintendent duties on July 1, 2025, and the State Board of Education will then formally consider her appointment. If approved as Acting State Superintendent, Dr. Coe-Brockington will aid the district in its transition and continue moving the district forward by working closely with school leaders and staff to strengthen supports for all students, promote safe and inclusive learning environments, and build partnerships with families, educators, and the broader Camden community. These efforts will help position the Camden City School District for a successful start to the school year and to be well-prepared to meet student and family needs.



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