



# THE ATLANTA BOARD OF EDUCATION

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## **Statement Regarding the APS Superintendent Search**

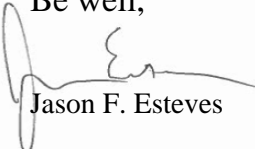
First and foremost, I hope that you and your family are well and safe. As a Board, we are deeply appreciative of the work that Dr. Carstarphen, teachers, administrators, staff, and volunteers are doing during the COVID-19 crisis. The Atlanta Public Schools community has taken this challenge head on and we cannot thank our stakeholders enough for ensuring our students are getting the resources they need as we continue our mission during this uncertain time.

I also write to update you on the status of the APS Superintendent Search that was announced in September of 2019. We are in the final stage of the process and anticipate introducing you to a sole finalist soon. Over the last six months, many members of the APS community played a crucial role in crafting the [leadership profile](#) the Board used to identify potential candidates. The Board then conducted four rounds of interviews, including in-person interviews and interviews with a panel of community members. Based on these conversations, we feel very confident that we will select the leader that will guide APS through the implementation of the recently adopted [Strategic Plan](#) and beyond.

We know that these are difficult times for all of us due to the crisis created by COVID-19. Please know that we are strongly committed to ensuring that Dr. Carstarphen is successful through the term of her contract, which will end on June 30, 2020, and that the incoming superintendent has a stable and smooth transition in anticipation of the 2020-2021 school year.

We are eager to introduce you to a sole finalist and will circle back with more details in the future.

Be well,



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