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Good Day Washington Family!

I welcome you in to the 2021-2022 school year and I am pleased to announce that Booker T. Washington High School is now a **Cognia STEM Certified** school. Though we have always offered learning opportunities for legacy builders in STEM fields, we are focusing many of our STEM learning opportunities in the field of Agriculture with a concentration on [Aquaculture](#). Washington is now the only AgSTEM School in the state with a whole school program.

It remains my fervent belief that The “**Washington Legacy Builder**” possesses uncommon characteristics. Attending a school with such a rich history is indeed an honor. Annually, we strive to find new ways to honor the legacy of excellence through innovative practices. Transitioning our entire school to a focus on technology in the Agricultural field is an example of our aggressive pursuit. This year, at the recommendation of our renowned Athletic Director, Derrick Avery, we are focusing on living up to our motto: “The Standard IS the Standard!”

Fifty-two years after the first Whites-Only High School in Atlanta opened, Booker T. Washington High School opened as the 1st secondary school for African-Americans in 1924. Our school represented the **standard** of opportunity, advancement and excellence for African-Americans. As we swiftly move toward a new century of history for the school, we are committed to honoring the traditions and legacy of THEE Booker T. We remain the standard...and the ***Standard IS the Standard!***

I am excited to continue to lead the most beautiful and brilliant students in the world at the MOST historic school in Atlanta. Here’s to a great year with limitless possibilities!

Much Love,

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