

August 13, 2018

Fred Armon Toomer Elementary Community,

I am happy to share that Superintendent Meria Carstarphen has made a recommendation for the interim principalship of Fred Armon Toomer Elementary School. Pending Board approval, Ms. Caroline Brown will begin her transition to Interim Principal on September 17, 2018. As you are aware Ashley Adamo and her family have an amazing opportunity in Florida and we pay forward our best wishes. We thank her for her commitment to Toomer and the generous runway for transition. During the seven week transition window (September 17th through November 2nd), we will focus on transfer of knowledge on the effective instructional and managerial systems, processes and protocols used at Toomer and will also take time to build quality relationships with students, staff, and community.

Caroline Brown currently serves as the Assistant Principal at Barack and Michelle Obama Academy and has been a part of the Jackson Cluster and APS family for the past 17 years. She is excited to join the Toomer ES family and brings a wealth of knowledge in curriculum, instruction, assessment, data protocols and the International Baccalaureate program (IB). She has served as Instructional Coach and Assistant Principal at Burgess Peterson Academy and was asked to transition to Barack and Michelle Obama Academy to support the district's turnaround effort. During her tenure, both schools experienced substantial academic gains.

We are excited for the Toomer community and feel confident that Ms. Brown will provide strong leadership during this transition. In the coming weeks, I will be in touch with details regarding a meet-and-greet with Ms. Brown. In the meantime, thank you for your support during this transition and do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns.

Have a great week!

Deeply Appreciative, I Am

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