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MMSD ANNOUNCES DR. CARLTON D. JENKINS AS ITS NEXT SUPERINTENDENT

MADISON, WI – Today, the Madison Metropolitan School District (MMSD) Board of Education announced the selection of Dr. Carlton D. Jenkins as the district's next Superintendent of Schools. Dr. Jenkins, a UW-Madison Graduate and former MMSD Employee has been serving as the Superintendent of the Robbinsdale School District in New Hope Minnesota, a suburb of Minneapolis.

"I speak for everyone on the Board when I say that we are very excited to share this news with our community," said Gloria Reyes, Board of Education President. "We want to thank our community for their patience and grace throughout this process. Our choice of Dr. Jenkins is the result of a Leadership Profile built from the voices of our community serving as our guide, and we feel fortunate to find someone who represents that profile as well as Dr. Jenkins does. We are all excited for him to reunite with our MMSD family and community."

Dr. Jenkins has served as Superintendent of the Robbinsdale School District for the last five years, and previously served as Chief Academic Officer for the Atlanta Public School System in Atlanta Georgia, and Superintendent of Saginaw Public Schools in Saginaw Michigan. He has held leadership positions in Wisconsin, Ohio, and Michigan including as an MMSD Associate Principal for Madison Memorial High School, and Associate Principal and Principal with the Beloit Public School District in Beloit Wisconsin.

"I am honored and humbled to be selected as the new superintendent of the Madison Public School System, and I am excited to be returning home to Madison and the MMSD family," said Dr. Jenkins. "With this role comes a tremendous responsibility, and although there are challenges we face as a school district, through community engagement and support for schools and teachers, we will work hard to ensure that all of our students are at the center of everything we do, and that the district remains grounded in its strategic framework goals."

Dr. Jenkins earned a Ph.D. in Philosophy and a Master of Science in Educational Administration degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. In addition, he holds a Bachelor of Science in Health and Physical Education from Mississippi Valley State University. His official start date as the next MMSD Superintendent will be August 4th.

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