

Hello parents! Here are some answers to the questions I have been receiving about Dr. Handy's departure of GHS.

More information will be provided at the **March 21<sup>st</sup> PTSA Meeting. 6:30pm** at GHS. Location will either be the media center or the cafeteria. Stay tuned to announcements for further information. Please email me any additional questions, comments and concerns you have about the process or a new principal in general.  
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### **When will the process start for finding a new principal?**

The process has begun. Once Dr. Handy made her announcement, an advertisement was prepared and will be posted thru the end of this week. Characteristics of what students, staff, parents and the community would like to see in a high school principal will be collected culminating with our GHS PTSA meeting on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **Why can't we have an interim Principal?**

Interim principals are typically not used if the absence is more than a semester. Having an interim principal for a year doesn't really help the school, community nor the interim principal.

### **How will parents be involved in the process?**

Parents will be asked to share and rank their top characteristics of a high school principal at the GHS PTSA meeting, as well as on line.

A panel made up of parent leaders, community leaders and MCPS will be sitting in on the interviews. This will include a sampling of parents across the demographics of GHS, not just PTSA officers.

### **When will the new principal be announced?**

The decision will be made by Superintendent Dr. Jack Smith and announced on Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.