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Dear Community School District 10 Principal Families, Staff and Community,

I am thrilled to introduce myself as the new Superintendent of Community School District (CSD)10. As I step into this important role, I carry with me a deep moral imperative to improve the lives of our students and their communities through education. I believe that education is the cornerstone of personal and societal growth, and I am committed to fostering an environment where every child can thrive.

I am deeply dedicated to cultivating an inclusive and supportive learning environment that celebrates all our students' unique strengths and backgrounds. Our diversity is one of our greatest strengths, and I am dedicated to promoting a culture of respect, understanding, and empathy throughout our schools.

I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to the former D10 Superintendent and now Chief of School Support, Dr. Maribel Torres-Hulla for her many years of leadership to the CSD 10 community. It is a privilege to have been passed the light that shines bright in D10 from Chief Torres-Hulla. Her work in pursuing excellence in all aspects of education is a core belief I share and will continue to hold dear to my heart.

My vision for our district is anchored in three core values:

1. **Pursuit of Excellence:** I am deeply committed to ensuring that every student in our district receives the highest quality education. We will strive for excellence in teaching and learning, equipping our students with the skills and knowledge they need to thrive in a rapidly changing world. This pursuit of excellence will begin with our 'Bright Start' initiative, aimed at getting every student on grade level in math and reading by the 3rd grade through NYC Reads and NYC Solves, and ensuring that each student has an academic plan for a 'Bold Future.'
2. **Collaborative Leadership:** I believe that the strength of our district lies in the collaboration and partnership among families, educators, and community members. I am dedicated to fostering a teamwork culture where diverse voices are heard, respected and valued. Together, we can create innovative solutions to support our students, and your input is crucial in this process.
3. **Advocacy:** I am deeply passionate about advocating for our students and their families. I will work tirelessly to ensure that every child has access to the resources and opportunities they need to reach their full potential and is provided with the best educational experiences. Your input and support are crucial in this journey, and I encourage open communication as we navigate the challenges and triumphs ahead. I am here to listen, to learn, and to act in the best interest of our students. As we embark on this journey together, I look forward to building strong relationships with each of you. Together, we can create a brighter future for our students and the communities we serve.

I am truly excited for the journey ahead and the positive changes we can make together. With your support, we can create a brighter future for our students and the communities we serve. Let's embark on this journey with optimism and determination as we light the way for our leaders of tomorrow!

In the next few weeks, I'll be visiting schools and look forward to meeting and hearing from many of you.
More information to follow.

Regards,

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