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Atlanta, GA – Kanisha “KaCey” Venning entered into the race for Atlanta Public School Board District 7 At-Large seat in late June 2021.

With 17 years of experience in public service, Venning pledges to bring her passion for youth empowerment –to include academic support via STE(A)M programming for youth– and youth mental health to the APS seat if elected. She currently serves as the Executive Director and Co-Founder of *HEY! Helping Empower Youth, Inc.*, an organization actively involved with the famed Atlanta Water Boys (a group of Black teens who sold water to street traffic in downtown Atlanta, GA). At the height of the pandemic in Summer 2020, Venning and others advocated for the Atlanta Water Boys by taking them in-home to teach entrepreneurship, life skills training, and job readiness, building a community of support for their success.

“I want to make my [Atlanta Water] Boys proud. They are excited about this school board run,” said Venning, “and I believe students who are ordinarily deemed as underperforming are deserving of an advocate from the community.”

There is also a community of support rallying behind Venning’s vie for the APS District 7 At-Large seat. After launching the fundraising site for her campaign, KaCey Venning, a late entry to the Atlanta Public Schools race, raised \$10,000 in five (5) days before the June 30 campaign disclosure deadline.

Venning states that her overarching campaign platform focuses on equity. “My definition of equity is about dismantling [old] systems and removing institutional conditions – eliminating the barriers as we rethink how we do school; prepare students for real-life; and restore fallen students with restorative and social justice.”

If elected on November 2, KaCey Venning will assume the Atlanta Public School Board District 7 At-Large seat position.

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