

"I believe that ALL children deserve to have an excellent educational experience in our local public schools. It is our collective responsibility to make that happen."



# Together we will ENGAGE, EMPOWER, and EXCEL

### **OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

There is something special about public schools. They open their doors to students from different backgrounds with differing abilities and lead the charge to ensure every child has an opportunity to achieve. I believe that each of the 18,000 students who attend Rowan-Salisbury Schools deserve an excellent educational experience that leads to academic, social, cultural, and emotional success. We all play a role in making that happen.

# **OUR PATH TO EXCELLENCE**

In this time of unprecedented challenges, we need a strategic approach to excellence that is intentional and consistent.

- **ENGAGE** Create welcoming school environments that encourage active participation in support of student success. Cultivate a culture of belonging. Actively solicit student input and feedback on their educational experience. Extend ongoing, accessible opportunities for families to be welcomed as advocates, volunteers, and substitute teachers. Honor and uplift the voices and perspectives of students, families, and educators within the decision-making process.
- **EMPOWER** Provide the knowledge, resources, and opportunities to promote and sustain high levels of achievement. Respect students as co-facilitators in their journey to success. Enhance communication methods to keep families informed. Encourage collaboration, critical thinking, and creativity to address school challenges. Provide educators with compensation that reflects their role as essential professionals within the community. Push for fully funded public schools so students and educators have the resources they need and deserve for success.
- EXCEL Pursue a continuous process of individual and collective improvement at all levels, for students and educators. Leverage renewal school status to drive innovation and achievement. Protect instructional time so students can maximize their learning outcomes. Promote professional development spaces for educators to refine their practice and scale success. Encourage students and educators to routinely reflect on performance and identify next steps for growth.

### DR. REBECCA CHILDS

I am an educator. Education is my professional practice, my passion, and my purpose. Throughout my career, I have worked diligently to cultivate relationships, elevate expectations, and lead innovative approaches that support student success. I currently serve as Program Manager for Real Estate and Construction Trades programs at Rowan-Cabarrus Community College. I am the right candidate for School Board Seat #5 because I am a parent, practitioner. volunteer, and scholar and I am committed to cultivating excellent educational experiences for ALL children in our public schools.



Mother of 1st and 5th grade students who have attended their neighborhood public school, Isenberg Elementary, since Kindergarten.



Bilingual educator with 15+ years of experience as a PreK-12 and community college teacher and school administrator.



**RSS Title 1 Advisory** Committee member. Active Parent Teacher Association member. Tier 2 volunteer with Communities in Schools.



# **DOCTOR OF EDUCATION**

Trained in educational leadership and continuous improvement. Experienced in research design, analysis, and dissemination.

LET'S STAND UP FOR CHILDREN IN ROWAN-SALISBURY SCHOOLS.





