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Dear CRLS Faculty, Staff, Students, and Families:

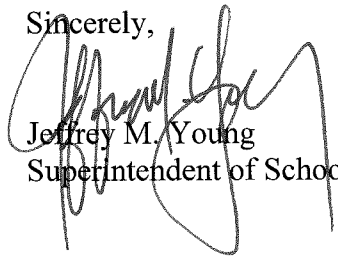
I am pleased to announce the appointment of Damon Smith as Principal of the Cambridge Rindge and Latin School effective immediately. A graduate of Wesleyan University, Harvard Graduate School of Education, and the Northeastern University Principal Residency Network, Mr. Smith was appointed interim Principal for the current school year from his former position of Dean of Curriculum of Learning Community "R" at Cambridge Rindge and Latin School, following the retirement of Dr. Chris Saheed.

Prior to joining Cambridge in 2004, Mr. Smith was Assistant School Director at New Mission High School and served as a Mentor Teacher for the Cambridge/Harvard Summer Academy. He began his educational career as a Humanities teacher at New Mission High, and was also Case Manager for Project LEEO (Leadership, Education and Employment Opportunities), a youth development organization.

Thanks are extended to your representatives to the Search Advisory Committee (CRLS faculty members Leslie Davis, Archy LaSalle, Sharon Lozada, Janani Nathan, Joel Patterson and Desiree Phillips, deans Jeff Gaglione and Susie Espinosa, student representatives Grant Baker and Naomi Tsegaye, parents Adam Manacher, Jamie Sabino, Laurie Sheffield and Dominique Stassart, and community representative Ruby Pierce Donohue) who worked tirelessly with our administrative team to find the best principal for the Cambridge Rindge and Latin School. This group invested tremendous energy and effort screening resumes, interviewing candidates and narrowing the field of candidates for my consideration.

I look forward to having Mr. Smith as a member of our leadership team and hope that you will join me in welcoming him to his new role as Principal of the Cambridge Rindge and Latin School.

Sincerely,


Jeffrey M. Young
Superintendent of Schools