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Robert Tomback named HCPS Superintendent of Schools



The Board of Education of Harford County has selected Dr. Robert Tomback of Baltimore County as Superintendent of Schools. Following a rigorous screening and interview process designed by the Maryland Association of Boards of Education (MABE), as well as stakeholder input into the selection, the Board determined that Dr. Tomback best meets their criteria for the next superintendent in Harford County.

"Dr. Tomback will bring a fresh look at strengthening our academic and instructional programs to help increase our student achievement", said Board President Patrick L. Hess. All

members of the Board expressed support for Dr. Tomback and enthusiasm about working as a team to provide the best possible education for every Harford County student.

Dr. Tomback earned his Doctor of Philosophy, Human Development Education at the University of Maryland. He serves as Area Assistant Superintendent, Baltimore County and is instructional and administrative leader for 34 schools and approximately 25,000 students. Before becoming assistant superintendent in 2007, he was a principal, executive assistant, assistant principal, department chair and social studies teacher. Dr. Tomback is excited about the appointment and is looking forward to working with the Harford County Board, students, staff, and community.

"Robert Tomback has a strong commitment to students and staff and I'm certain he will continue the great work that has taken place in the Harford County public schools over the past decade," said Nancy S. Grasmick, State Superintendent of Schools. "He brings with him a list of accomplishments during his tenure with the Baltimore County Public Schools. We, at the Maryland State Department of Education, look forward to working with him in his new role."

The Board of Education members and Dr. Tomback will hold a Media Conference on Wednesday, June 3, at 4:00 p.m. at the A. A. Roberty Building in Bel Air. The appointment, effective July 1, 2009, and contract signing will be made on June 8, 2009 during the Board business meeting. All are invited to attend the Board meeting to welcome Dr. Tomback to Harford County Public Schools.

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