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Glen Rock Board of Education Appoints Dr. Brett Charleston as Superintendent of Schools

March 6, 2019 – Glen Rock, NJ -- The Glen Rock Board of Education is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Brett Charleston as Superintendent of the Glen Rock Public School District. The appointment, announced at the March 5th Board of Education meeting, is effective as of July 1, 2019.

"With the appointment of Dr. Charleston, the Board is confident we have found an innovative and progressive leader who will continue to improve our schools and meet the needs of all our students," said Sharon Scarpelli, Glen Rock Board of Education President.

Dr. Charleston comes to our district with 25 years of experience in education. He began his career as a High School Social Studies teacher and coach for 12 years before moving into administrative positions. In 2006, he took on his first administrator role as the Athletic Director in Egg Harbor Township. He was appointed as the High School Principal in 2009. Prior to joining the Pequannock School district, he served as the principal for Bridgewater High School in Somerset County. Since 2014, he has been employed by the Pequannock Township School District. He served as the principal of Pequannock High School and in 2015 he was promoted to Superintendent of Schools.

"I strive to be an informed leader, one that will make decisions in the best interest of the students, to ensure we are doing everything possible to provide them with a world-class education with opportunities where excellence is the standard for everything they do," Dr. Charleston stated at the Glen Rock Board of Education Meeting on Tuesday, March 5, 2019. He continued, "I will work with all parties to continue to meet the learning needs of all students and the expectations of the Glen Rock community. I can think of no better place for me to serve as the superintendent than Glen Rock. It is a privilege and an honor to be chosen as the leader of such an outstanding school district."

Under Dr. Charleston's leadership, the Pequannock Township School District implemented a 1:1 Chromebook program in Grades 6-12, in addition to adding technology for all students at the elementary level. Through teacher-led professional development, upgrading the technology infrastructure, curriculum revisions and collaboration with teachers and administrators, all five Pequannock Schools were recognized as being "Future Ready Schools" by the Future Ready Schools program. The district is recognized for having a popular Technology Summit each October with nationally known keynote speakers and over 35 teacher run workshops all focused on technology integration and instructional techniques where nearly 500 teachers from throughout New Jersey attend each year.

Dr. Charleston is a graduate of Elizabethtown College where he received his BS in Social Studies. He has a Master's Degree in Special Education and Educational Leadership from Holy Family University. In 2017, he received his doctorate in K-12 Educational Administration from the College of Saint Elizabeth. His dissertation was on "One-to-One Educational Technology and its Impact on Student Learning and Engagement." He resides in Lebanon, New Jersey with his wife and daughter.

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