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Hudson City School District Appoints Cheryl Rabinowitz as Interim Superintendent

HUDSON, NY — The Hudson City School District Board of Education is pleased to announce the appointment of Cheryl Rabinowitz as the Interim Superintendent of Schools, effective July 1, 2023. Rabinowitz, the district's Manager of Instructional Technology and Data Protection Officer, brings a wealth of experience and a passion for education that spans more than three decades.

The Board of Education unanimously approved her appointment at its June 6 meeting. She will replace Dr. Lisamarie Spindler, who has served as the District's Superintendent since February 2022. Dr. Spindler is leaving to pursue another professional opportunity.

"Ms. Rabinowitz's vast experience and proven dedication have given her valuable insights into the diverse needs of students, teachers and staff, and her years of administrative leadership are vital credentials as well," said Board of Education President Willette Jones. "Her collaborative approach and commitment to maintaining a safe, welcoming and engaging educational environment will greatly benefit our school district and community."

Rabinowitz has served three years in her current role, overseeing the District Technology Department and chairing the District Technology Committee. She has played a key role in developing the District Technology Plan and has ensured that faculty, students and district staff members have access to resources and infrastructure essential in a modern learning environment. She also has played an integral leadership role on the Superintendent's Executive Cabinet.

"I am thrilled and honored to serve the Hudson City School District as Interim Superintendent," Rabinowitz said. "I am eager to collaborate with our Board of

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Education and school community to ensure the Hudson City School District is a welcoming, engaging and interactive educational environment to learn and to teach. We will continue our focus on preparing students for college, careers and life."

Rabinowitz came to Hudson from the Poughkeepsie, N.Y., City School District, where she served two years, first as Assistant Superintendent for Technology and Innovation, then as Interim Superintendent and Assistant to the Superintendent. Prior to that, she served the Newburgh Enlarged City School District in Newburgh, N.Y., as the Executive Director of Technology.

Her career in education began in 1990 when she became an elementary teacher and a Computer Technology Specialist at P.S. 130 Magnet School for Science and Technology for grades K-3 in the Bayside section of Queens, N.Y. She subsequently advanced to positions in several districts, including the Catskill, N.Y., Central School District, where she served 15 years in positions that included Middle School Principal and district Director of Technology.

Rabinowitz holds a bachelor's degree in elementary education from St. John's University and two master's degrees — one in Elementary Education focusing on Early Childhood and Gifted and Talented Education and another in Instructional Technology and Telecommunications. She also completed an Advanced Graduate Studies certificate in Educational Administration from the Leadership Academy at the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts.

"The Board of Education thanks Dr. Spindler for her service to the district and warmly welcomes Ms. Rabinowitz as Interim Superintendent," Jones said. "We are confident in her ability to lead the district into the 2023-2024 school year and to partner in a successful transition to when the next permanent superintendent is chosen."

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Caption: Effective July 1, 2023, Cheryl Rabinowitz will serve as the Interim Superintendent for the Hudson City School District.

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