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Dear Baltimore School for the Arts Community,

I am pleased to announce that Ms. Rosiland Cauthen has been named interim principal of Baltimore School for the Arts. This announcement was made at Tuesday's school board meeting and is the result of a process that began last October and engaged the broader BSA community. I want to thank the interview panel and the many stakeholders that participated in the process for their patience and diligence as we begin this transition.

Before welcoming Ms. Cauthen, I want to take this moment and thank Chris Ford for his many years of leadership at Baltimore School for the Arts. Chris has seen many graduates transition to post-secondary training, college and successful careers. We wish him nothing but the best in his retirement.

Ms. Cauthen has previously served as an administrator at Baltimore School for the Arts, specifically as the theatre department head. She has a strong arts background, which combined with a focused instructional leadership, will serve BSA well. Ms. Cauthen has continually expressed the importance of building relationships with students, family and staff and I'm sure that will be one of her main priorities as she begins to lead BSA.

The interim title in Ms. Cauthen's position means that we will engage the School Family Council next spring around the school's performance and to determine if any additional changes need to be made. While many of you may already know Ms. Cauthen, I hope the entire Baltimore School for the Arts community will join me in welcoming her into her new role. If you have additional questions or concerns, you can contact me at jldavis@bcps.k12.md.us or contact Starletta Jackson, the Instructional Leadership Executive Director for BSA, at sjackson@bcps.k12.md.us or call 443-642-3904.

Sincerely,



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