

Dear Riverwood Community,

I am pleased to announce that the school board approved the appointment of Mr. Charles Gardner as principal of Riverwood International Charter High School. Mr. Gardner will officially start on Monday, June 24th.

During our selection and interview process, Mr. Gardner emerged as the top candidate that possessed and demonstrated the leadership qualities the school desired according to the focus groups and survey data. In his current role as principal at Sandy Springs Charter Middle School, Mr. Gardner oversaw construction of new collaborative classrooms to the school, reimagined the media center, and has implemented a STEAM academy and created a Design Thinking Process Team.

Prior to his role at Sandy Springs he served as principal of McClarin Success Academy where he implemented a multimillion dollar school improvement grant resulting in a double digit increase in the graduation rate. In addition to his academic leadership, Mr. Gardner is an active member of the Sandy Springs Rotary Club and a graduate of Leadership Sandy Springs.

We are excited about the experiences Mr. Gardner brings to Riverwood. Under his leadership we know Riverwood will continue to excel.

Sincerely,

Dr. Nathalie Henderson
Area Superintendent
Central Learning Community