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Dear George Washington Carver STEM Academy Families:

As you know, last fall we began a journey to find a permanent Program Director to serve George Washington Carver STEM Academy for Boys. I wanted to reach out today to provide a quick update. After thoroughly screening first-round candidates, I have decided to continue the search and consult with a national search firm. Doing so will help expand our reach and attract a larger pool of dynamic and qualified candidates for this important role.

Recognizing that everything rises and falls on leadership, I firmly believe that choosing the next transformational leader is critical to ensuring success for all students. Every student deserves an excellent and equitable education, provided by a highly effective and engaged staff, with support from an innovative, culturally aware, and culturally responsive leader.

Our families and community partners play a critical role in the success of all students, and your thoughts and participation in this process have helped us build a robust profile and plan, and we will continue to work together to find the right person to lead this program into the future

I appreciate your patience and partnership as we continue looking for the next director for your program. I will follow up soon to provide additional details about the next steps and opportunities to engage in the process moving forward.

Respectfully,

**Demetrus Liggins, Ph.D.**  
**Superintendent**