



FREDERICK DOUGLASS HIGH SCHOOL

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Greetings, Frederick Douglass High School Eagles Community!

My name is Dr. Daisy Nichols, and I am honored and humbled to serve as the acting principal at Frederick Douglass High School (FDHS). For the past six years, in the role of assistant principal at FDHS, I have become increasingly fond of the student body, the legacy of FDHS, and the Eagles community. I have consistently supported the community through an open-door policy and a keen focus on students' and the staff's success and well-being. I will continue to prioritize these areas with the added tier of making all decisions based on the betterment of students.

This school year I will enter my 18th year in education. During this time, I have served as an Assistant Principal, School Testing Coordinator, an A.V.I.D. teacher and coordinator, and a Reading/English Language Arts teacher at both the middle and high school levels. My favorite time thus far has been the eight years I served as a classroom Teacher. It is the most critical work. I believe every student can succeed when high expectations are set and strong instruction occurs. However, I could not continue to ignore the calling to move into leadership to support more students and teachers.

Being a first-generation child of two Cuban migrants emphasized my belief that education can change the trajectory of one's life. This belief has carried me throughout my studies, including completing my Educational Doctorate (Ed. D.), and it is still a core belief. Being the mother of a 5th and 9th grader has given me added perspective to do what is best for students. I understand the magnitude of responsibility it takes to build prepared, cultured, open-minded life-long learners.

As the incoming principal, my vision is to continue the best practices and structures that make us Frederick Douglass High School while continuing to stay committed to communicating high expectations to our scholars and expecting strong instruction from our educators. I understand that this is a collaborative mission. My commitment to you is to make decisions that are best for students. We will continue to strive to be a World Class High School!

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