

Bolgen Vargas, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools Rochester City School District 131 West Broad Street Rochester, New York 14614

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce that **Armando Ramirez** has taken on a new role as Principal of All City High, our program that provides alternative paths to graduation for students who struggle in a traditional high school environment.

With nearly 25 years of service to Rochester children as a professional educator, Armando has the experience and dedication to help All City High students succeed. He has been a classroom teacher, Assistant Principal, Academy Director, and most recently Principal at Monroe High School for the 2012-13 and 2013-14 school years. He also was a Principal at John Marshall High School, and served in administrative roles at Roberto Clemente School No. 8 and Joseph C. Wilson Foundation Academy.

All City High, an ongoing program on the Marshall campus, focuses on serving students who need extra flexibility and support to graduate, including those who have fallen behind academically or are overage for their grade level. It offers tiered start times to accommodate students' varied schedules and course needs, with services available from early morning to evening. All City High also provides students more social and emotional supports than a traditional high school; semester-long and year-long courses; Career and Technical Education (CTE) opportunities; access to community programs and resources; and the ability for students to engage in art, music, sports, and extra-curricular activities.

The All City High program fills an urgent need to improve outcomes for students who have been underserved in our traditional high schools, and creates a foundation for establishing a true alternative high school in our District. We are pleased that it will be led by Principal Armando Ramirez, a skilled and passionate educator who is committed to serving students in need. Those qualities can help to make All City High a place where all students accelerate progress and ultimately achieve success, receiving the best instruction and support our talented staff can offer.

Please join us in thanking Armando for his past service as we congratulate him on this important new role.

Sincerely,

Bolgen Vargas Superintendent of Schools Amy Schiavi Chief of Secondary Schools