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Interview of Dr. Tara Richardson Principal of HOPE Academy



### Q: What should parents expect when their children attend your school this year?

A: When students arrive at HOPE Academy from their home schools, I want parents to expect a positive change, as a result of their child's matriculation at HOPE Academy.

### Q: What does a typical school day look like for you a principal?

**A:** A typical day at HOPE Academy will begin by me welcoming students, monitoring breakfast, and observing classes through lunch. After the lunch break, the day will proceed through all academic courses and dismissal.

# Q: As an administrator what are your strengths? What are your weaknesses?

A: As an administrator, my strengths are discipline and structure. My weakness is that I am task oriented, and sometimes I don't always delegate tasks to others who are more than capable of completing the tasks.

## Q: How has the nationwide teacher shortage impacted your school? Do you have fully staffed school?

A: The nationwide teacher shortage has really impacted all schools. Staffing for The HOPE Academy is a little different than a traditional school, but I have a fully staffed school.

#### Q: How would you describe your relationship with your students?

A: I have a good relationship with students because they understand my expectations.

# Q: If random students were interviewed from your school what do you think they will say about you as their principal?

A: A random student would say that I was visible, stern, but I care for each one of them.

### Q: What's new at your school for this upcoming school year?

A: I am the new principal at HOPE Academy.

#### Q: What's one thing that you want parents to know about you as the principal?

A: I want parents and students to know that I have their child's very best interest in mind and their educational progress as the most important outcome.

