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CCPS Participates in City of Atlanta's 100,000 Opportunities Initiative

JONESBORO- Superintendent of Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS), Dr. Morcease J. Beasley recently attended a meeting hosted by the office Atlanta Mayor, Keisha Lance Bottoms to learn about the Atlanta Opportunity Fair. As a result of the meeting, we are excited to announce that CCPS is one of the diverse organizations taking advantage of the opportunity to further invest in our nation's future by engaging youth in a variety of employment workshops and training opportunities.

According to the organizations website, www.100kopportunities.org, 100,000 Opportunities Initiative is the largest employer-led coalition focused on hiring youth facing systemic barriers to employment and education. By changing the hiring and retention process as well as advancement strategies, the initiative is creating unique opportunities for employment, internships and apprenticeships in the private, public and philanthropic organizations. Designed to engage youth, ages 16-24, who are out of school and unemployed, the Opportunity Fair provides targeted individuals an opportunity to connect with more than 30 leading companies.

“We are very excited to be included in the opportunity by Mayor Bottoms as we work to change the trajectory of our students by allowing them to pursue their dreams and passions,” said Superintendent Beasley. “We are very proud of our Department of Guidance and Counseling, as well as the Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) Department and Division of School Improvement for are working collaboratively to identify approximately 400 of our students to participate in this amazing opportunity,” he said.

Being held today, May 3, at the Georgia World Congress Center, attendees will visit a variety of workshops focused on resume building and interview skills as well as possibly receive on the spot job offers. In addition participants will have access to community resources for addressing judicial records, immigration support, housing resources and connect with potential mentors and much more.

“This is an opportunity to uplift our community,” said Superintendent Beasley. “I truly believe it takes a village and I thank Mayor Bottoms and her team for inviting Clayton County Public Schools, our students and our community to be a part of this event as we work together to solidify the economic future of Metro Atlanta and the surrounding municipalities,” he concluded.

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