



# NEW SCHOOL LEADER APPOINTMENTS

Presentation to Boston School Committee  
May 25, 2016

## The Roger Clap School



**Marcia Riddick** first became passionate about education as an elementary student in Boston Public School Schools and decided early to become an effective teacher in her community. Riddick has worked as an educator in the Boston Public Schools for over 20 years, serving as an elementary school teacher, literacy coach and the ELA Manager on the K-5 Academic Response Team. She currently serves as an instructional coach and interventionist at the Henry Grew Elementary in Hyde Park, MA. Riddick earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Elementary Education from Emmanuel College, Master's Degree in Education and Technology from Lesley University and participated in the Boston Public School's Aspiring Principal's Program. She resides in Mattapan.

## Boston International Newcomers Academy



**Tony King** ... has been the interim Headmaster of Boston International Newcomers Academy, where he previously served as Academic Director. Dr. King began his career in education as a Peace Corps volunteer in Cape Verde before moving to Boston. During his nearly 20 years in the Boston Public Schools Dr. King has worked as a bilingual history teacher, an ESL teacher, an instructional coach and an administrator. Much of his work has focused on closing opportunity gaps for ELL and specifically SLIFE students. For the last five years Dr. King has collaborated with a team of talented educators to develop Boston International Newcomers Academy into a nationally recognized school noted for improving outcomes for adolescent English Language Learners. Dr. King earned a Bachelor's Degree in English from the University of Iowa, a Master's Degree in ESL from the University of Massachusetts Boston; and a Doctorate in Educational Leadership from the University of Massachusetts Boston.

## Another Course to College



**Michele Pelham** began her teaching career in Boston in 2008, working as a civics and Special Education teacher at Brighton High School. While at Brighton, Ms. Pellam founded and coached the Debate Team, growing the team from 6 to 60 students. The team competed at Nationals twice under her leadership. Fluent in Spanish and conversant in Russian, Ms. Pellam took the 2014-2015 school year to learn Arabic while studying and teaching in Egypt. Ms. Pellam has served as the interim principal of Another Course to College this year. Michele Pellam is a graduate of Northeastern University and the Harvard Graduate School of Education. She resides in Brighton.