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July 25, 2022

Dear Colleagues,

Our work in community schools, out of school time programming and youth well-being has expanded exponentially in the past year. As a result, we have reorganized school partnerships operations to meet the demand of these new opportunities.

I am delighted to announce **Sasha Batts' promotion to Senior Executive Director, Youth Development.** Sasha has held several positions in Youth Development and Social Responsibility during her nine year tenure here at the Y, and her leadership will resume through this expanded role.

Sasha will continue to lead our K-8 grant funded Community Schools (CS), Out of School Time (OST), Robotics, Y Summer Enrichment, and Youth Well-Being programs. As of July 1st, Sasha has acquired the CS and OST sites previously led by Jessica Chiaramonte.

Jessica will now exclusively lead our community school consulting work in Baltimore County Schools. She will remain a thought leader for community schools and other operations across the organization.

Please join me in congratulating Sasha on her expanded role. She will continue to report directly to me.

Thank you,

Charmayne D. Turner
VP, Operations and Youth Development



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July 28, 2022

Dear Colleagues,

I am very happy to announce two new members of the Baltimore City leadership team. Please join me in welcoming and congratulating **Dwayne Douglas** as our Associate Executive Director and **Tonya Hull** as our Program Manager at the Weinberg Y.

Over the last decade, **Dwayne** has worked in non-profit strategy and community development with the YMCA of Greater New York and Teach for America, where he led teams through program design & evaluation, social justice exploration, strategic planning, and community support. Most recently, serving as the Director of Program Strategy for Teach for America D.C. Region. He forged and fortified a strategic partnership network with Prince George's County Public Schools, Alexandria Public Schools, D.C. Charter, and D.C. Public Schools to set vision and innovate strategies that strengthened professional development for 100+ novice teachers across the D.C. region. Prior to TFA, Dwayne spent 7 years with the YMCA of Greater New York holding various roles, most recently as Program Director where he initiated new partnerships through the Department of Education, successfully launched programming to support 675 youth and 125 adults, and managed fiscal budgets & government contracts over \$750,000. Dwayne is a native of Brooklyn, New York, and a graduate of Delaware State University. In his free time, he enjoys reading, hiking, watching sports, and learning new ways to grow the plants in his home.

Tonya has been with the Y since 2016 and is a true embodiment of a 'Y person'. In true Y fashion, she started at the Y part time and has added one job code after another - working in School Partnerships, Camp, Family Centers and BASE (and of course, Emergency Childcare during COVID). For her, 'all other duties as assigned' means if there's something that needs to get done, she just gets it done. It is without a doubt that camp families continue to come back year after year because of Ms. Tonya. Tonya has continued to challenge herself and spread her wings and we are thrilled to bring her onto the Baltimore City team full time.

Both Dwayne and Tonya will begin their roles on Monday, August 1st.

Thank you,

Ashley J. Funk

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Senior Executive Director
The Weinberg Y in Waverly

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