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**Dr. Monyka S. Price to Join College Now Greater Cleveland Staff**

CLEVELAND, December 8, 2021 — Dr. Monyka S. Price, Chief of Education for Mayor Frank G. Jackson, will be joining College Now Greater Cleveland as a Senior Director of Advising Programs and Services in late December, 2021.

Price will help lead College Now's career advising work, including the creation of curriculum and professional development content for educators to talk with young people and families about career pathways and postsecondary plans. In her role, Price will also work to promote and present College Now's career advising curriculum to educators across Northeast Ohio.

"We are honored to have Dr. Monyka Price join our staff at College Now," said Lee Friedman, CEO of College Now Greater Cleveland. "She has long been a valuable partner in our work as a member of the Jackson Administration and we feel lucky to be bringing her educational knowledge, business proficiency, and perspective to College Now as a Senior Director of Advising Programs and Services. As our work around career advising deepens, having Dr. Price's talent, network, and expertise on our team will be invaluable."



Price has served as Chief of Education in the Jackson Administration since October 2007. Her responsibilities have included advancing Mayor Jackson's vision of a regional approach to education and serving as the liaison between the City of Cleveland and the Cleveland Metropolitan School District. She has played a key role in the implementation of the Cleveland Plan, and has been instrumental in the establishment of, and serves in leadership roles, in PRE4CLE, the Higher Education Compact, the Cleveland Transformation Alliance, and Say Yes to Education Cleveland. Price also managed the Mayor Frank G. Jackson Scholarship Program, was the Chair of the Mayor's Youth Development Committee, and was a key organizer of Mayor Jackson's annual citywide Youth Summit and the Cleveland Metropolitan School District Back-to-School Fair.

"Chief Monyka Price has played an instrumental role as a leader in my administration's education efforts in the City of Cleveland, including the Cleveland Plan, PRE4CLE, the Cleveland Transformation Alliance, the Higher Education Compact and Say Yes Cleveland," said Mayor Frank G. Jackson. "She is a valued member of my administration and I congratulate her on her new role at College Now. I know she will continue making an impact in the world of education."

Prior to her role as Chief of Education, Price served as the Principal of Citizens' Academy and taught in Cleveland elementary schools. Prior to her career in education, she built a career in sales and marketing.

Price is a graduate of Ursuline College where she earned two Master's degrees in Education-Early Childhood and Education Administration. She obtained her undergraduate degree from Kent State University and she has also

received a Superintendent License and Certification from Cleveland State University. She earned her Doctorate degree in Education Leadership from Youngstown State University in May 2019.

Price serves as a Board member for The Rainey Institute, John Hay Cleveland School of Science and Medicine in the Cleveland Metropolitan School District, and City Year Cleveland.

**About College Now Greater Cleveland, Inc.**

College Now provides Greater Cleveland students with guidance and access to funds to prepare for and graduate from college. For more than 50 years, our goal has been to help students pursue educational opportunities that empower them to embark on rewarding careers and strengthen our community. College Now assists more than 30,000 students each year, delivering college access advising, financial aid counseling, and scholarship and retention services in five Northeast Ohio counties, in the College Now Resource Center and through community-based programs. For more information, visit [www.collegenowgc.org](http://www.collegenowgc.org).

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