

**Howard Avenue Montessori School** 

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Dr. Darienne Driver 5225 W. Vliet Street Milwaukee, WI 53208

Dear Dr. Driver,

Last spring, the MPS administration and the MPS School Board approved the expansion of Howard Avenue Montessori School into the Dover Street School facility. Based on this action, we request a name change to reflect the merger of the two campuses. We request that the Dover building be renamed Bay View Montessori Upper Campus and the Howard building be renamed Bay View Montessori Lower Campus.

On October 6, 2017, a letter was sent home to parents in the weekly Friday Folders. The School Engagement Council conducted an initial survey to parents during parent/teacher conferences on October 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> with the suggestion of Bay View Montessori School. Parents were asked to either vote for that name or write in their suggestion. Votes were due no later than October 17<sup>th</sup> with a total of 118 votes returned.

After tallying the votes and reviewing the suggestion of school names, a second ballot was sent to families on October 27<sup>th</sup> in the Friday Folders. The four popular name suggestions were: Bay View Montessori School, Garden View Montessori School, Howard Montessori School, and Lake View Montessori School.

The final results from the 114 returned ballots were: Bay View Montessori - 47, Garden View Montessori School - 24, Howard Montessori School - 17, and Lake View Montessori School 26. The SGC accepted the name Bay View Montessori School for the dual campus model.

If you are in agreement of this name change, we ask that you please submit this to the MPS School Board for the December 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. We ask that this name be reflected for the Three Choice enrollment process for the 2018-19 school year and in all MPS related data bases and records.

Thank you for your consideration to this matter.

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Sincerely

Heidi E. Panosh

Principal

Howard Avenue Montessori School

Jessica Hinojosa

SEC Chair

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