



Board of Trustees Announces Nnenna Ude as its Next Chief Executive Officer of Match Education

June 6, 2018

The Board of Trustees of Match Charter Public School (the "School") is pleased to announce that Nnenna Ude will be the next Chief Executive Officer of Match Education.

After a competitive national search, the Board voted unanimously to hire Nnenna as President and Chief Executive Officer of The Match Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation") and The Charles Sposato Graduate School of Education, Inc. ("Sposato"), while maintaining her role as the Executive Director of the School.

Nnenna has held several progressive roles at the School since 2012, including mostly recently serving as the Executive Director and previously as Chief Operating Officer. Nnenna is a Boston native who attended Boston Latin School and then earned her B.A. from Dartmouth College. Nnenna commented, *"I am so deeply honored to serve the students and families of Match, and I am excited to lead our exceptional staff as we strive to deliver extraordinary results for students and share our learnings with educators on a national platform."*

"Nnenna is deeply committed to Match's mission and has succeeded in every role that she has been in with Match. We are thrilled that Nnenna will lead our organization in its next chapter of delivering an outstanding urban education for preK-12 students and sharing what we learn with others who have similar goals," said Mary Wells, Chairman of the School's Board of Trustees.

Nnenna succeeds Stig Leschly who has been with Match Education for over 15 years, starting as Board Chair in 2005 and then as CEO since 2011. *"Stig has done a wonderful job for many years as Match's CEO and in building out our charter school and the related aspects of Match Education. The organization tripled in size during his tenure,"* said Matt Vettel, a long-standing member of the Foundation's Board of Directors.

Stig commented, *"I am thrilled to be handing over the reins to my colleague, Nnenna. I have worked with Nnenna for many years and have complete trust in her. I unequivocally recommended Nnenna to the trustees as my successor and I am excited to see her lead Match into its next chapter and to new heights."*

Match Education is a diversified education reform organization which currently operates a high-performing, urban public charter school serving 1,250 students across grades preK-12 on three campuses in Boston (the School), a unique graduate school of education that trains teachers and instructional leaders to work in high-poverty schools (Sposato), and a dissemination group that seeks to share what we are learning in our applied work (Match Export). The mission of Match Education is twofold. First, we are committed to delivering extraordinary results for the students we serve in our charter school and graduate school of education. Second, we strive to be a source of innovation in education nationwide.

The appointment of Nnenna as President and Chief Executive Officer of Match Education is to become effective on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, subject to the approval thereof by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, which such approval is in process and awaiting confirmation.

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Mary Wells
Board Chair of the School

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Matthew Vettel
Board Chair of the Foundation

Handwritten signature of Spencer Blasdale in black ink.

Spencer Blasdale
Board Chair of Sposato