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To the Girard Community:

It is my pleasure to provide you with an update on the recently launched national search to select the next President of Girard College.

As you are aware, the Presidential Search Committee began its work in October in partnership with Promise54, the executive search firm that we have engaged to help guide the selection process.

As a reminder, the members of the search committee are: **Bernard W. Smalley, Esq.**, President, Board of Directors of City Trusts; **Lynette M. Brown-Sow**, Board of Directors of City Trusts, Chair, Girard College Committee; **Hon. Derek S. Green**, Board of Directors of City Trusts, Girard College Committee; **Christine Eneedy**, Art Teacher, Girard College; **Tim Farward**, Member, Girard College Alumni Association.

Promise54 conducted extensive stakeholder engagement with a wide range of members of our community, seeking to learn more about Girard's past and present, and to understand our aspirations for the future. We are grateful to those of you who shared your Girard experiences with their team, and we hope you will see your input reflected in the attached [position description](#).

We are now ready to "go public" with the search, which includes publishing the position description on the Girard College and Promise54 websites and advertising the search for candidates on numerous relevant job boards and local media outlets.

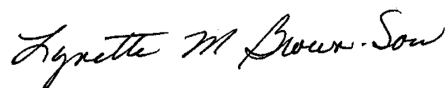
You can help, too! The Girard College family is the very best ambassador for the school and the search, so please spread the word in your own professional and personal networks. You can use [the language linked here](#) or tailor for your recipients.

Over the next 8-10 weeks, Promise54 will conduct targeted outreach and pursue a diverse pool of qualified candidates for the President role. We are committed to keeping you fully informed about the search process as it continues and anticipate sharing additional updates on our progress and timeline in the new year.

We also continue to value your input, and should you have questions or comments (or wish to nominate a candidate or identify a "connector"), please do not hesitate to reach out to our search partners at [girardcollegepresidentsearch@promise54.org](mailto:girardcollegepresidentsearch@promise54.org).

Thank you for your continued interest and support of Girard College.

Sincerely,



Lynette M. Brown-Sow

Board of Directors of City Trusts,  
Chair, Girard College Committee