



# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE



**UNION COUNTY TEAMS  
CS AND HIGH  
SCHOOL/COLLEGE  
LEADERSHIP**

**ACADEMY**

**WE TAKE YOUR CHILD**

**FROM**

**K to C**

**KINDERGARTEN TO**

**COLLEGE**



**UCT-K-C  
Mission Statement**

*The Union County T.E.A.M.S. Charter School for Technology, Engineering, Architecture, Mathematics and Science and High School/College Leadership Academy is a small learning community, Grades K—12, where all students achieve high academic standards by using the built environment as a learning laboratory. Students gain the tools and confidence necessary for successful post-secondary education, entrepreneurship, and the world of work. Students interact with professionals in various professions including the construction community, and manifest by their experiential learning ....*

*"We Are Community Builders...Aiming High and Achieving Greatness."*

**Sheila L. Thorpe,**  
Executive Director/ Founder

**Michael Chiles,**  
(Acting) Vice-Principal/  
Director of Operations

**Shatiera Porte'e,** Director of  
Student Services/Curriculum

**Jasmine Toliver,** School  
Counselor

## HAPPY SUMMER!!!!

### GREETINGS, OUR UC TEAMS COMMUNITY:

If you are like me, you are exhausted! What a year of LIVING and DOING the IMPOSSIBLE. Remote Learning, while necessary, taught us many lessons. Among them was the value of family. Having been a career woman all of my life, being sequestered at home at first was scary but as time passed, it was also affirming.

In my home, after the stages of (1) "this is not happening, (2) yes, this is happening, (3) sanitize this and sanitize that; clean this and clean that—again, and (4) I am not doing that, okay, I am." (with a deep sigh and mumble....) We learned together we're stronger and more loving of each other. In that togetherness, some significant fundamentals of life emerged, among them was tolerance, patience, respect, and above all forgiveness.

That's my personal tag to COVID-19. However, I am certain you have one as well. The 20-21 school year is fading into our rear view mirrors with a sense of thanksgiving and gratitude. We are still here with a hope for a brighter future, and a

*"New Beginning...." at UC TEAMS.*

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### EOY CEREMONIES ... A VIRTUAL SUCCESS

**Kudos to ...**

**Ms. Avelino, Ms. Davis, and Ms. Boyd**

Kindergarten—Moving Up!  
Was a BLAST!

**Ms. Caballero and Ms. Hendricks**

5TH Grade—Moving ON was GREAT!

**Ms. Dotch and Ms. Ayensu**

8TH Grade—Promotion was  
OUTSTANDING

**Ms. Harris, Ms. Penn, and Mr. Ware**

12th Grade —Commencement Ceremony was both  
STATELY and EXTRA-ORDINARY!

**ADMIN TEAM AND ALL STAFF  
WELL DONE!!**

**SPECIAL KUDOS - Ms. JAELYNN LEE  
OF ENVISIONARY DESIGNS**

### SURVEYS 2021 Parents! PLEASE...



**Surveys are important to the life of our school and you have always given us your best responses in a timely fashion.**

**Parents Please! Visit our website with your child and complete TWO surveys:**

- ⇒ PARENT SURVEY and
- ⇒ STUDENT SURVEY
- ⇒ WHEN? BY **JULY 9, 2021.**
- ⇒

**These responses help us develop and grow into a better educational community because we have your input.**

**Thank you in advance.**

**IMPORTANT  
CALENDAR DATE!**



## IN-PERSON

### OPEN HOUSE/ORIENTATION

We missed you last year and we want to

**see** you!

**Open House/Orientation  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2021**

**NEW BEGINNING ... AT UC TEAMS!**

