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Dr. Jacqueline J. Jacoby,  
Acting Superintendent of Schools

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## **Jacqueline Jacoby Named Acting Superintendent, Hartford Public Schools**



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(July 11, 2006) -- Dr. Jacqueline J. Jacoby, Chair and Associate Professor of Education at the University of New Haven and former Superintendent of the Glastonbury (Connecticut) Public Schools, has been named Acting Superintendent of the Hartford Public Schools. She replaces Robert Henry whose resignation became effective June 30.

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Dr. Jacoby was unanimously appointed by the Hartford Board of Education at a June 5 special meeting. She will serve as Acting Superintendent for up to six months until a permanent Superintendent is hired. A national search is currently underway and the Board of Education anticipates that a candidate will be selected by the end of August. She has taken a leave of absence from her current post in order to fulfill her responsibilities in Hartford.

Before joining the faculty of the University of New Haven, Dr. Jacoby was with the Glastonbury Public Schools for 25 years, serving as Superintendent for 11 years. While Superintendent, she championed the development of a District-wide learning community by focusing on reading, writing, and language arts, expanding world languages beginning in grade one, quadrupling the number of Advanced Placement courses, initiating a “Physics First” science curriculum, and increasing student participation in interscholastic sports to 85 percent.

In addition, she increased Glastonbury’s participation in inter-district magnet schools, oversaw eight renovation and new construction projects valued at more than \$1 billion, and worked to improve the recruitment and retention of talented staff.

“During my tenure in Hartford, I plan to build on the good work that has already been done by focusing on improving academic achievement for all students, with a particular emphasis on reading, by developing supportive relationships with our teachers and other school-based staff, and by strengthening parent and community involvement,” Dr. Jacoby said. “I am grateful to the Mayor and to the Board members for offering me this opportunity and I look forward to working with them and my staff in the coming months.”

Dr. Jacoby holds a Doctorate in Education from Boston College, a Sixth Year diploma from Lehigh University, a Master’s in Elementary Education from Duquesne University and a Bachelor’s degree from Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania.

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