Principals change in city schools

Jordan to lead Early College International

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Sandy Jordan, the former president of the Rochester School District's Association of Administrators and Supervisors of Rochester, has been named the new principal at Rochester Early College International High School on Genesee Street. She replaces Marlene Blocker, that school’s founding principal, who will lead the younger grades at the revamped East High School. Early College is a little-known but fairly successful city high school where all students take courses at Monroe Community College, often graduating with many college credits in addition to their high school diploma. Students there also can study Chinese.

"I couldn't be happier," Jordan said. "It's a smaller, family feeling, and it's non-traditional in that these kids excel in areas beyond just high school." Before her one-year term as ASAR president, Jordan was the founding principal at All City High.

Charlotte High School also will have a new leader. Its old principal, Michael Allen, has been reassigned to School 19, where he will be an assistant principal working with the middle-school students. Christopher Smith, a former East assistant principal, is expected to be named as the new Charlotte principal.

Rhonda Morien, the former principal at Francis Parker School 23 in the Park Avenue neighborhood, will take over Mary McLeod Bethune School 45. She will be replaced by John Gonzalez, who was director of expanded learning for the district.

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Sandy Jordan at Freddie Thomas High School in 2006.

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