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"If One Fails the Community Fails"

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Greetings, Floyd.

Madison Metropolitan School District School Board Candidate Forum

19 March 2013 - S.S. Morris Church, Madison, WI



James Howard



Dean Loumos



Greg Packnett



Wayne Strong

The African American Communication and Collaboration Council (AACCC) will host a Forum to engage candidates vying for Seats 3 and 4 of the Madison Metropolitan School District (MMSD) Board of Education. **The Forum will be held 19 March 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at S.S. Morris Church (3511 Milwaukee Street, Madison, WI 53714).**

Candidates contending for open Seat #3 are Dean Loumos and Wayne Strong. Candidates running for Seat #4 are incumbent, James Howard, and Greg Packnett. All candidates have confirmed their participation in the 19 March event.

During the Forum, candidates will present information about their qualifications and backgrounds and address issues that are currently facing the MMSD, such as the achievement gap and school safety.

Please [click here](#) to register for this event.

Black Superintendents of Major School Districts

Current Black History

Motivation and knowledge often serve as the precursors to most, if not all, historical events. For African Americans, these attributes have adorned the continuous path of our journey.

Calendar of Events

[Click here](#) to view the entire AACCC Calendar of Events.

2013

11 March

Sickle Cell Blood Drive

13 March

Emerging Leaders Network
Kick-off - Meet & Greet

14-15 March

"Race & Place: Movement,
Space, Land, and Power"

16 March

100 Black Men of Madison
General Membership Meeting

19 March

Madison Metropolitan School
District School Board
Candidate Forum

23 March

Family Roller Skating Night

MISSION

To provide support to positive efforts that are conducted with and on behalf of the African American Community of Greater Madison, Wisconsin;

To establish mutually beneficial relationships

Irrespective of what those who came before us were told or what they were led to believe, ***they knew who they were and "whose" they were.*** And, by being faithful to that "North Star" of direction, we, the recipients of their struggle, have benefited.

As we look back at February, a month dedicated to the celebration of Black History, lest we remember, in spite of the sophistication and power of those who attempted to mislead our ancestors, they were never convinced or fooled that an African American lacked the abilities to perform the same tasks, shoulder the same responsibilities and provide leadership in all areas of human endeavor as any non African American.

Similar to the path of those who came before us, today, we are bombarded with overt and subtle reminders that African Americans are not as qualified as others for specific positions of leadership. And, similar to our ancestors, hopefully we **will not** be fooled or convinced about the depth and breadth of African Americans to be successful in all areas of service and leadership.

As evidence of *what we can do rather than what we cannot*, please note the following positions of **educational leadership** currently held by African Americans. When possible, please share this information with those who have doubts about our abilities.

between African American organizations of Greater Madison, Wisconsin; and

To establish ongoing dialogue concerning common issues of the African American Community of Greater Madison, Wisconsin.

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Spring Election

2 April 2013

The spring election will be held Tuesday, 2 April.

State offices to be elected include Superintendent of Public Instruction, Supreme Court Justice, Court of Appeals and Circuit Court.

City of Madison offices to be elected include: Madison Common Council (multiple Districts), and Municipal Court Judge.

And Madison Metropolitan School District Board of Education Seats to be elected are 3, 4 and 5.

For more information about the candidates, to find your polling place, and more, visit <http://www.wisconsinvote.org/>.

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