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A Conversation with Regent Judith Johnson

Arlington High School Library Route 55, LaGrangeville

Thursday, April 7th, 2016 - 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Hear where Regent Johnson stands on current issues: Common Core, APPR, testing, budgets and more.

Dutchess school board members, superintendents, school staff and the public are all welcome.

You are invited to send questions for Regent Johnson to <u>dutchessschools@gmail.com</u> prior to the meeting. Please send them by March 27 if possible. We will also be collecting questions upon entering the session. We look forward to seeing you there!

Judith Johnson was appointed to the Board of Regents for a five year term effective April 1, 2015. She has devoted

her professional life to public education. Whether working to transform national and local educational policy to significantly improve the quality of education, leading school districts to give all children the same opportunity to succeed, or building partnerships with the business community, civic organizations, government leaders and the Arts community, she has built an extensive network of partners to help schools raise student achievement. She is known for her unrelenting commitment to public education.

Regent Johnson's teaching and leadership roles span seven very diverse city and suburban districts. During President Clinton's second term in office she was appointed by Secretary of Education, Richard Riley, to serve initially as the Deputy Assistant



Secretary and later as the Acting Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.

Regent Johnson returned to K-12 education and served for ten years as School Superintendent for the city of Peekskill, becoming the first woman and African American to hold that position. During her tenure she supported site based leadership teams that launched the transformation of low performing schools into "high performing/gap closing" schools.

Regent Johnson has built a reputation as a trusted, respected, and sought-after educational leader and mentor who is also able to bring diverse parties to agreement on shared goals that benefit all students.

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