



November 21, 2024

ANNOUNCING DR. JAMES CALLEROZ WHITE, OUR NEXT HEAD OF SCHOOL



The Dwight-Englewood Board of Trustees is thrilled to announce that they have unanimously selected Dr. James Calleroz White as Dwight-Englewood's 7th Head of School, beginning his tenure on July 1, 2025. Amidst an intensive and competitive international search that uncovered numerous highly skilled and talented educators, Dr. Calleroz White clearly emerged as the leader most uniquely suited to guide our school into a bright new chapter filled with promise, excellence, collaboration and compassion.

Dr. Calleroz White, who holds a Doctorate in Educational Leadership from Arizona State University, a Master's in Education from Harvard Graduate School of Education, and a Bachelor's degree from Harvard University, brings to D-E a distinguished record of accomplishments and an impressive background in independent school leadership, innovation, and student-focused community building.

Currently serving as Head of School at The Galloway School in Atlanta, Dr. Calleroz White has overseen transformative projects, including the design and construction of a new upper school building, expanding the school's experiential learning and entrepreneurial programs to make use of the City of Atlanta as a classroom, and creating the Center for Professional Growth and Learning for all teaching and learning and professional development across the school.

Dr. Calleroz White loves to stay engaged in the lives of students and has served as the primary college counselor for several students each year, and, when his schedule allows, he enjoys teaching classes in government, ethics and entrepreneurship. Throughout his career, he has emphasized educational excellence, strategic growth, and, above all, fostering meaningful connections between students, educators and communities.

Before his time at Galloway, Dr. Calleroz White served as Head of School at Louisville Collegiate School, as Associate Head of School at Phoenix Country Day School, and as Director of College Counseling at Belmont Hill School in Belmont, MA. He began his career in education as a Harvard College Admissions Officer, where he recruited students from New Jersey. He has held numerous positions of leadership in organizations across the educational landscape, including as a current Trustee for the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) in Washington, DC.

Following is an excerpt of a message from Dr. Calleroz White, included in the announcement from the Board of Trustees to the D-E community:

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A LETTER FROM DR. JAMES CALLEROZ WHITE TO THE D-E COMMUNITY

Dear Dwight-Englewood Community,

I am honored to introduce myself as your new Head of School. Joining this remarkable community of learners is both a privilege and a responsibility I hold with the deepest respect. From the moment I first engaged with members of the Dwight-Englewood community, I was struck by the passion, commitment, and genuine warmth that define this exceptional school.

Throughout my career, I have been driven by a love for education and a commitment to fostering an environment where each student can thrive as an individual and as part of a vibrant community. Dwight-Englewood's mission to foster in each student a passion for life-long learning, to seek excellence, honor integrity and embrace diversity in order to meet challenges of a changing world and make it better, resonates deeply with me, and I am thrilled to have the opportunity to carry forward this mission alongside each of you.

As I prepare to join you, I am eager to learn more about the heart and spirit of Dwight-Englewood—the stories, traditions, and values that make this community so special. I look forward to meeting students, parents, faculty, staff, alumni, and all those who play an integral role in shaping the school. My goal is to listen, to understand, and to build upon the exceptional foundation that exists here, honoring the school's past while collaborating on a vision for its future.

I am grateful for the trust you have placed in me, and I am committed to dedicating my full energy, enthusiasm, and experience to ensure that Dwight-Englewood continues to be a place where students not only excel academically but also grow as compassionate, curious, and engaged citizens. Together, we will nurture an environment where each student feels seen, valued, and empowered to make a difference in the world.

Thank you for welcoming my family and me into the Dwight-Englewood community. We are excited about the journey ahead and look forward to building meaningful connections and relationships with each of you.

With anticipation and gratitude,

Dr. James Calleroz White
