

### **DRW script for family video**

Hello. I'm Dr. Tony Watlington Sr. and I am honored to greet you today as the superintendent of The School District of Philadelphia. I couldn't be happier to be here with you in this great city. The trust placed in me to lead this fine District in the next phase of its journey toward excellence for **every child** in **every school** is something I take very seriously. There is hard work ahead and I am committed to leading that work collaboratively, thoughtfully and in a manner that keeps the best interests of all students at the heart of our conversation and decision making.

As superintendent, my first priority is to listen and learn. My leadership style is an inclusive one. So for the next 100 days, I will engage with a wide range of Philadelphians, including you – the students and families we have the privilege to serve. I want to get to know this great city, learn what you think the District does well and where you think improvement is needed to ensure we serve all of our students well.

Serving you well starts with earning your trust, and earning your trust starts with me listening to understand. That's why I'm personally inviting you to participate in an upcoming listening and learning session so I can hear and learn directly from you. I invite you to visit our new webpage – [www.philasd.org/100days](http://www.philasd.org/100days). There you can register for an upcoming listening and learning session, learn more about my priorities for my first 100 days, and track my progress in the coming weeks and months. What I learn in the coming months will result in a report with findings and recommendations that will help guide our work together as we prepare every student for college, career and community.

Thank you in advance for this opportunity to work in partnership with you. I look forward to our journey together. The best is yet to come.