



Dear Members of the Next Generation Scholars Community,

It is with great excitement that we announce a new milestone in Next Generation Scholars' evolution. Our news is as exciting as us launching our first middle school program. It is as thrilling as teaching Alan Turing at our first Summer Academy, and as celebratory as the moment we opened the doors to the Scholar House on E Street.

Here is the big news!

Next Generation Scholars is on the search for a new Executive Director. Sally Matsuishi, our founder and Executive Director for the past 12 years, has asked us to start the search for a vibrant, visionary leader to take Next Generation Scholars into the future.

Want to hear some more good news?

Sally will remain at NGS doing what she loves to do as the Director of College and Career Counseling. We know so many Next Generation Scholars have fond memories of Sally's vicious editing, warm words that remedied brutal homesickness, lectures that changed the way they saw the world, and the absolute faith she has in her students even when they may not see it themselves. All of this will remain and grow to serve new generations to come.

In these next months, we will be working with the Center for Volunteer and Nonprofit Leadership to find our new Executive Director. They will help us conduct a national search for a leader who has both lived and professional experience in uplifting young people of color through education. We are looking for a leader who will push forward NGS' deep commitment to educational equity and social justice.

In the meantime, the Board has hired Cherie Graham, who brings over 20 years experience in the for profit and nonprofit sectors, as Interim Executive Director.

You are the reason we have been able to send 100% of our seniors to to 4-year colleges with a retention rate of 98%. Your support has turned into thousands of hot meals, tens of thousands of teaching hours, and boundless potential achieved. You are Next Generation Scholars. We hope to hear your thoughts and invite you to share in our excitement. As always, the doors to the Scholar House are open.

Sincerely,

Tony Nethercutt
Chairman of the Board