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### **CRISTO REY JESUIT APPOINTS** **WALTER D. REAP, SR., SECOND PRINCIPAL**

**Baltimore, Md., May 2, 2016 --** Cristo Rey Jesuit High School, a Catholic, co-educational, college preparatory school empowering students in Baltimore City to succeed in college, work and life, has appointed Walter D. Reap, Sr., as its second principal. Reap begins his new position July 1.

An award-winning and experienced leader, Reap comes to Cristo Rey Jesuit from Edward M. Felegy Elementary School in Hyattsville, where he serves as principal. Under Reap's leadership, the school underwent the construction of a multi-million dollar campus, and he facilitated the implementation of a creative and performing arts instructional program.

Reap also served as principal at Germantown Elementary School in Annapolis. While there, he facilitated the implementation of the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme; the Kid's at Hope Training for School Community; and construction of a new school building. He also established an arts integration partnership with Collegio San Carlo, a pre-K to 12th grade school in Milan, Italy.

"Walter Reap is an outstanding educator and teacher and an award-winning and experienced principal," said Dr. William Heiser, president of Cristo Rey Jesuit. "His student-centered leadership and innovative approach of infusing technology and cross-

curricular connections will serve the students well at Cristo Rey. We are very fortunate to have him as our next principal."

Reap, who lives with his family in Southwest Baltimore, has been honored with numerous awards including the Washington Post Distinguished Educational Leadership Award and the Nancy Grasmick Excellence for Minority Achievement Award. In addition, he was named Anne Arundel County Parent Teacher Association Principal of the Year in 2013.

He is an active speaker, presenter and participant in various education-related programs. Reap was a featured speaker for a TEDx talk in Ashburn, Va., on the topic of inspiring students to succeed. He has participated in the Discovery Education Summer Institute Principal's Summit; United States Department of Education EdCamp; Maryland State Department of Education EDCamp and The Education Trust National Conference Baltimore.

Reap holds a Master's of Arts in Administration and Supervision from Bowie State University and a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

He is a member of the National Association of Elementary School Principals; National Council of Teachers of Mathematics; Maryland Association of Elementary School Principals; and Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development.

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School is a member of the Cristo Rey Network of 30 high schools across the country. Sponsored by the Maryland Province Jesuits, the school opened in 2007 and serves 350 college-bound students in grades 9-12. All Cristo Rey Jesuit students take a full course load of college preparatory classes and work five days

per month at one of 115 corporate partners through the Corporate Internship Program.

One hundred percent of Cristo Rey Jesuit graduates have been accepted into college. For more information, visit [cristoreybalt.org](http://cristoreybalt.org).

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