



## **DR. JOSHUA P. STARR**



**DR. STARR BEGAN HIS TENURE** as Montgomery County Public Schools' superintendent of schools on July 1, 2011, after having been the superintendent in Stamford, Connecticut.

Dr. Starr is a passionate champion for all students and is committed to ensuring that Montgomery County Public Schools meets the needs of students across the spectrum. This appointment builds upon the work Dr. Starr began as a teacher in 1993. Dr. Starr was the superintendent in Stamford from 2005 to 2011, where he distinguished himself by increasing student achievement for all subgroups, emphasizing increased academic rigor, standardizing curriculum, advancing the use of technology, creating business and civic partnerships, and emphasizing community and family engagement efforts aimed at supporting all children in the classroom.

Previously, he served at the executive level in the New York City Department of Education, the largest school system in the nation, where he held the position of Director of School Performance and Accountability. Dr. Starr's first position with the New York City Department of Education was as Deputy Senior Instructional Manager.

Dr. Starr began his career as a special education teacher in the New York City Public Schools working with severely emotionally disturbed adolescents. He has also served in administrative roles in Plainfield, New Jersey and Freeport, New York. A self-professed life-long learner, Dr. Starr brings enormous energy, intellect and enthusiasm to his new post as superintendent of schools for Montgomery County Public Schools. Dr. Starr holds a doctorate degree in administration and social policy from the Harvard Graduate School of Education and has published articles in many journals in the field of education.

Dr. Starr and his wife, Emma, have three children, who attend Montgomery County Public Schools.