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# Cooperative Educational Services Welcomes New Director of Finance and Operations



Cooperative Educational Services (C.E.S.) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. David Figueroa as its new Director of Finance and Operations. Mr. Figueroa joins C.E.S. from Park City Prep Charter School, where he served as Operations Manager. Prior to that, he worked at Icahn Charter Schools in the Bronx, New York, as Business Manager and Asset Manager, and earlier in his career served as a Financial Advisor with JPMorgan Chase.

"Dear C.E.S. Family, I want to express my joy and excitement in joining you at C.E.S. I have been overwhelmed by the warmth, kindness, and friendly welcomes I have received thus far," said Mr. Figueroa. "I am excited to get my hands dirty to collaborate, share ideas, contribute, lead, and be led through this journey. As I have studied C.E.S. and its mission, I am proud to join a family with such dedication and passion for teaching the next generation of teachers and students. I am privileged to become part of this incredible organization."

Margaret (Peggy) Sullivan, the current Director of Finance and Operations, will retire from C.E.S. after nearly ten years of dedicated service. "I am excited to be leaving the Finance and Operations team to David as I retire. I am sure he will continue to do amazing work with C.E.S. and lead the department with the same commitment to excellence and innovation that has helped make our organization so successful. I am grateful for my time at C.E.S. and confident that the future is in great hands."

"We are thrilled to welcome David Figueroa to C.E.S. as our Director of Finance and Operations. David brings over two decades of hands-on experience managing the full spectrum of school operations, from finance and facilities to transportation and technology, in the dynamic, entrepreneurial environment of charter schools," said Dr. Charles Dumais, Executive Director of C.E.S. "His ability to build systems, solve complex problems, and drive efficiency in lean, mission-focused organizations makes him exceptionally well-suited to serve our member districts. We look forward to the steady leadership and operational excellence he will bring to our team."

Mr. Figueroa earned a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Hunter College and an MBA in Finance and Leadership from Ellis College. He will officially begin his role with C.E.S. on July 1, 2026.

C.E.S. is one of Connecticut's six Regional Educational Service Centers (RESCs), established by the state legislature to provide programs, services, and support to public school districts. C.E.S. serves students and educators throughout Fairfield County and provides Executive Search services to school districts across the state. More information about C.E.S. can be found at www.cestrumbull.org.