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CLAYTON EARLY LEARNING CEO BECKY CROWE RESIGNS POSITION

*Citing the personal toll of leading through the pandemic,
Becky Crowe will step down at the end of 2021.*

Denver, CO – Clayton Early Learning announced today that Becky Crowe has decided to step down as president and CEO. The weight of leading through this difficult time has taken a significant personal toll, resulting in Becky’s decision to transition at the end of December. She will remain available to Clayton on an as-needed basis going forward.

The Clayton Board of Trustees is currently working to develop a more detailed transition plan, including naming an interim CEO to guide Clayton’s path forward in the immediate future. A comprehensive executive search for a permanent CEO will be launched in early 2022.

“I was drawn to Clayton’s limitless potential to create a thriving, equitable community and I continue to believe wholeheartedly in Clayton’s future. It has been an honor to lead Clayton through one of the most challenging times in history,” remarked Crowe. “I feel tremendous gratitude for the privilege of leading this incredible organization and for our bold and courageous team members who bring our mission to life.”

“Becky has made a tremendous positive impact on the Clayton community,” commented Clayton Board chairman, Chris Reiss. “While we will greatly miss her leadership and vision, we respect her decision to prioritize her personal wellbeing and that of her family. The Clayton Board of Trustees is fully committed to the positive momentum of our strategic direction, and we are all working closely together to ensure a smooth transition.”

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About Clayton Early Learning

Clayton Early Learning is an innovation hub that fosters thriving, equitable communities by partnering with families to **nurture** a whole child, whole family approach to the early years, **discover** what works, and **advance** systems change. Committed fiercely to the belief that healthy early childhood development offers one of the most powerful levers for ending inequality, Clayton plays a leadership role in demonstrating what’s possible in the early years and the positive impact that has for children and families over time. Clayton’s 20-acre campus in the heart of Denver is the home of Colorado’s only Educare school, a nationally recognized model supporting children from birth to age five and their families. Clayton also impacts systems change in Colorado

and beyond through our research and evaluation services, professional development for teachers and leaders throughout Colorado, and policy and advocacy work at the state and federal level. Visit us at claytonearlylearning.org, and read about Clayton's [strategic direction](#).