

# Dr. Vasanne S. Tinsley

## Professional Profile

Dedicated leader focused on influencing the social and academic growth of others.

- Awareness of current trends and best practices in Student Support, Guidance and Counseling, Advisement, Student Health, the Student Support Team Process, Section 504 Services, and School Social Work Programs, and Human Resources Strategies
- Training in Mental Health Awareness, Emergency Preparedness, Crisis Intervention, Mentoring, Dropout Prevention Efforts, Legal Affairs, Prevention/Intervention Strategies and School Safety
- Experienced in Grant Writing and Evaluation, Program Evaluation, Communication and Presentation Skills

## Education

### Spelman College, Atlanta, Georgia

Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology

### Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia

Master of Arts Degree in Counseling

Doctor of Education Degree in Educational Leadership

## Employment

### DEKALB COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### **Director of Student Assignment and Support, 2013- Present**

Primary responsibilities include oversight of department leads in student support departments within the school district (school counseling, school social work, student health, section 504 services, student support teams, hospital homebound services, and after school extended day programs), management of budgets for each department (excess of 3 million dollars combined), development of training and professional development for departmental personnel, representing department in various internal and external meetings, and continued monitoring of departmental data.

- Facilitator of Superintendent's Student Advisory Council, School Council Process, Student Registration Guidelines
- Oversight of the Graduation Rate Improvement Effort (inclusive of the supervision of Post Secondary Transition Specialists)

#### **Assistant Director, Office of Guidance, Counseling and Mentoring, 2008- 2013**

Primary responsibilities included development and management of the guidance program for the DeKalb County School District, creating district policy to support the developmental needs of students, collaborating with local school and district administrators, assisting with the delivery of services for students by 250 guidance counselors, annual ordering of graduation diplomas/documents for students, analysis of departmental data for planning purposes, recruiting and training corporate and community mentors, managing the departmental budget, providing training and professional development opportunities for new and veteran school counselors, recruitment and training of community mentors, analyzing departmental data and representing the school counseling department in local, state and national meetings and taskforces.

#### **Assistant Director of Student Health Services, 2007-2008 and 2011- 2012**

Primary responsibilities included oversight of student health services provided for students throughout the DeKalb School District, supervision of lead and consulting nurses, coordination of training for school health personnel, collaboration with local and district administrators regarding the delivery of health services in schools, communication of updates to legal requirements

pertaining to the provision of services given to students with health needs while at school, assistance with the development of accommodations for students with 504 services, ongoing coordination of medical intervention (communicable disease, scoliosis and dental screenings) for students in collaboration with the DeKalb Board of Health, represent the student health department in local, state and national meetings.

**Facilitator of District Crisis Intervention Response Team, 2012- Present**

Primary responsibilities include oversight of crisis response process involving deaths, accidents and emergency intervention in DeKalb Schools, mobilization of the delivery of support provided by 300+ district Student Support Services department members, development and monitoring of Suicide Intervention Protocol plans of action, ongoing consultation with Public Safety and Human Resources Departments regarding staff crisis intervention in accordance with best practices.

**Assistant Director of School Social Work Services, 2012**

Primary responsibilities included facilitating the school social work program for DeKalb County School District Social Workers, collaborating with community agencies to facilitate services for students and families in the school district in support of social work best practices. Ongoing review of state and local legal guidelines in support of McKinney-Vento (Education for Homeless Students) guidelines, coordination of training and professional learning for school social workers and management of departmental budget.

**System-Wide Head Counselor, Office of Guidance, Counseling and Mentoring, 2006-2007  
Counselor on Special Assignment, 2005-2006**

Primary responsibilities included providing direct support to Assistant Director of Counseling, assisting and supporting new and veteran counselors in the school system with the development of local level counseling programs in accordance with national, state and local guidelines, facilitating mentoring presentations, training and feedback sessions with community and corporate mentors working with the DeKalb County School System, facilitating training sessions for graduation coaches and school counselors, analyzing departmental data, serving on advisory councils to promote the role of counseling on the local and state level.

**School Counselor, 1994- 2005**

Primary responsibilities included developing and conducting classroom, individual and group guidance sessions with students in accordance with state standards, developing strategies to support the cognitive and affective development of students, administration of the Student Support Team process, providing local and district professional development for staff, serving as a resource to support for staff, parents and the community.

**ADJUNCT INSTRUCTION, 2007-Present**

Primary responsibilities include developing curriculum content for delivery according to standards for graduate students in the areas of counseling, educational leadership, college and career readiness, statistical analysis, technical writing, crisis management, group dynamics, human relations, and general education in alignment with curriculum and instruction best practices.

**Leadership Experiences and Affiliations**

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER (Superintendent's Designee), COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS ATLANTA, 2012- PRESENT

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER (Superintendent's Designee), DEKALB BOARD OF HEALTH, 2012- PRESENT

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER, UNITED WAY OF DEKALB, 2013- PRESENT

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER, MERCER UNIVERSITY-ATLANTA (DEPARTMENT OF COUNSELING), 2008-2013

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER, UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA (DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL COUNSELING), 2009

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER-CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY (DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND SCHOOL COUNSELING), 2010-PRESENT

EVALUATOR-BILL AND MELINDA GATES MILLENNIUM SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION, 2013-2014

CHAIRPERSON-THE GEORGIA ACT COUNCIL, 2009

FEDERAL GRANT EVALUATOR (United States Departments of Education and Labor) 2009 –2014

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEMBER- GEORGIA SCHOOL COUNSELORS ASSOCIATION, 2008- 2012

PRESIDENT- THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF COUNSELOR EDUCATORS AND SUPERVISORS (GACES), 2008-2009

TASK FORCE MEMBER- NATIONAL OFFICE OF SCHOOL COUNSELOR ADVOCACY- COLLEGEBOARD, 2006 -2010

REGION SIX CHAIRPERSON OF THE GEORGIA SCHOOL COUNSELOR'S ASSOCIATION, 2000-2002

PRESIDENT OF THE DEKALB SCHOOL COUNSELOR'S ASSOCIATION, 2000- 2001

### **Conference Presentations**

GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATORS CONFERENCE, 2015

GEORGIA SCHOOL COUNSELOR CONFERENCE, 2010

COLLEGEBOARD NATIONAL OFFICE OF SCHOOL COUNSELOR ADVOCACY CONFERENCE, 2009

THE COLLEGEBOARD NATIONAL FORUM, 2008

GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATORS CONFERENCE, 2007

DEKALB COUNTY ADMINISTRATORS LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AND NEW TEACHER ORIENTATION, 2006

### **Professional Affiliations**

THE AMERICAN SCHOOL COUNSELORS ASSOCIATION

UNITED WAY OF GREATER ATLANTA and UNITED WAY OF DEKALB

GEORGIA ACT COUNCIL

GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATORS

NATIONAL AFTERSCHOOL ASSOCIATION

NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

**References Available Upon Request**