

Akil E. Ross

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Educational Background

<u>Degree</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Major</u>
Ed.D.	2012	University of South Carolina	Curriculum Studies
Ed.S.	2009	South Carolina State University	Educational Administration
M.Ed.	2005	University of South Carolina	Educational Administration
B.A.	2002	Duke University	Political Science

Professional Experience

2019-present	Instructor, University of South Carolina EDLP 709 Secondary in Practice EDLP 701 School Leadership
2018-2019	Adjunct Professor, University of South Carolina EDLP 700 Introduction to Educational Administration EDLP 701 School Leadership
2018-present	Education Consultant, HeartEd LLC
7/2018-12/2018	Director of Secondary Education, School District Five of Lexington & Richland Counties
2010-2018	Principal, Chapin High School, SC
2005-2010	Assistant Principal, Chapin High School, SC
2002-2005	Social Studies Teacher, Eau Claire High School, SC

Honors

April 2002	Rockefeller Brothers (Woodrow Wilson) Fund Fellow for Aspiring Teachers of Color
June 2011	Superintendent's Award- Exemplary Leadership

October 2017	SCASA State Principal of the Year
March 2017	The State 20 Under 40, Class of 2017
January 2018	Midlands 50 Most Influential, Business Monthly Columbia
October 2018	NASSP National Principal of the Year
Fall 2018	Outstanding Black Alumnus Award
Spring 2020	UofSC College of Education Adjunct Professor of the Year

Certification – Leadership Professional

Current Status:

Social Studies
 Secondary Principal
 Secondary Supervisor
 Superintendent

Relevant Professional Experience

2015 – 2018	At-Large Member, Executive Committee of the South Carolina High School League
2017 – present	Palmetto’s Finest Selection Committee Member
2017- 2020	Faculty Member of the Center for Executive Education Leadership (CEEL)
2016- 2017	Chair, District 7770 Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)
2017	State Department Tapping Executive Educators
2020 – 2021	Governor’s appointment to the accelerateSC taskforce

Publications

Blog Post

Ross, A. (April 2018). Are your students life ready? National Association for Secondary School Principals. <https://blog.nassp.org/2018/04/19/are-your-students-life-ready/>

Book

Ross, A. (2019). Empowering the heart, Reviving & renewing today’s education. Chapin, SC: Youthlight Inc.

