

ALABAMA
Dr. Douglas Lee Ragland



Dr. Douglas Lee Ragland was appointed on March 16, 2017. He retired as the Superintendent of the Midfield City School System in 2007, and was previously the Superintendent of the Greene County School Systems. A lifelong educator, he also served in the Eufaula City School System as Principal of Western Heights Elementary School from 1990-98, where he gained national recognition when he was selected as the 1998 Alabama National Distinguished Principal.

He is very active in the community and has been elected and appointed to serve on the University of Alabama at Birmingham National Alumni Association Board of Directors, Birmingham Planning Commission, Executive Board of the Birmingham Planning Commission, Birmingham Comprehensive Planning Committee, Birmingham Comprehensive Planning Implementation Committee, Birmingham Comprehensive Planning Prosperity and Opportunity Subcommittee, Birmingham Zoning and Advisory Committee, Birmingham Public Building Authority Board, Midfield Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Alabama Corrections Department Prison Ministry for Upper Room Fellowship Church, Chief Administrator, Leadership Team Member, and Chief Financial Officer for Upper Room Fellowship Church.

Dr. Ragland received his Doctorate in Educational Leadership from the University of Alabama at Birmingham and the University of Alabama where he was named the *Most Outstanding Doctoral Student in Educational Leadership*. He also holds Bachelors, Masters, and Education Specialist Degrees, as well as Class A and AA Certifications, from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in Elementary Education and Educational Leadership.

Dr. Ragland contributes his success to the 6 P's: Prayer, Principles, Perseverance, Patience, Progress, and Planning. He is married to the former Ms. Teresa Wiggins, and they reside in Birmingham, Alabama.

