

Muriel Summers

Leader in Me Global Ambassador



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DEGREES

B.A. Education,
University of North Carolina—
Chapel Hill

M.A. Early Childhood Education,
University of North Carolina—
Charlotte

M.A. School Administration and
Leadership Development,
University of Maryland

Honorary Doctorate
California University, Pennsylvania,
for contributions in leadership
development and education

AWARDS/ACCOLADES

Friday Medal of Honor,
The highest honor a North Carolina
educator can receive

Outstanding Leadership Hall of
Fame, UNC-Chapel Hill

The Ralph Kimmel Award,
Recognized for her contributions
in mentoring & serving school
administrators across North
Carolina

The Order of the Long Leaf Pine,
awarded by the Governor of North
Carolina as the highest honor a
North Carolinian can receive

Principal of the Year

Teacher of the Year

For over two decades, Muriel Summers helmed as principal of A.B. Combs Elementary. In her efforts to turn around the then-failing school, Muriel and her staff developed a revolutionary leadership model based on FranklinCovey's *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*®. Within a few years A.B. Combs experienced a significant turnaround and was named the #1 Magnet School in America.

The highly diverse and award-winning school carries the honor of being the original *Leader in Me* school, with Muriel as co-author of the book by the same name. Currently, more than 7,000 K-12 schools in over 70 countries replicate the transformative leadership model that Muriel and her staff initiated, which inclusively sees all adults—and ALL students—as leaders.

Following her recent retirement from Wake County Public Schools in Raleigh, North Carolina, Muriel joined FranklinCovey Education as its Global Ambassador. She now presents at international and local education conferences, where she shares the power of leadership to enable school success.

Muriel is the proud mother of two children and is enjoying her new role as grandmother.

MURIEL SUMMERS CAN SPEAK ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS

- Reinventing School Leadership from the Inside Out
- Leading with Heart / The Heart of School Leadership
- Culture of Belonging
- Inclusive Approaches to Transforming School Culture
- Finding Your Voice as a School Leader
- Trust & Inspire
- ... And More!