



Maisha N. Otway Ed.D

Dr. Maisha Otway values the impact education has on changing communities. She credits her success as an instructional leader to her ability to hold herself accountable to support talent, implement shared decision making, while fostering innovation. Dr. Otway moved to the Metro Atlanta Area in 1996 from Massachusetts. She began her career as a teacher in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and has also taught in the State of Maryland. Having worked 15 years with Fulton County Schools, she has successfully served as an elementary school teacher, curriculum support teacher, assistant principal and principal. She studied for her B.A in Elementary Education and M.A.T in English as a Second Language at Our Lady of the Elms College in Massachusetts, her Educational Leadership certification from Kennesaw State University and Doctorate of Education from Walden University.

Dr. Otway has served as the Hillside Elementary principal for six years and has lead the instructional environment that has resulted in significant increases on the GaDOE School rating from a “D” to a “B” while making the Fulton County Schools highest CCRPI increase of 24.7 points. She credits Hillside’s success to her investment in teacher development [0-3 Club](#), instructional innovation [The Hill](#), shared leadership and the focus on strong school environment, for the increased achievement and student growth for all learners.

Dr. Otway is a learner that leads with the commitment to developing strong relationships while maintaining an open door policy where conversations are geared towards meeting the needs of all learners.