

HALL OF ACHIEVEMENT

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Journal

Regina V. Sharpe

Class of 1989

Regina was a very active student in high school. She was on both the winter and spring track and field teams (Co-Captain), the gymnastics team, drum major of the marching band, a member of the concert band and jazz band, the National Honor Society and Music Honor Society and Class President for three years. Regina received the Physical Fitness Award all four years of high school and was voted by her peers most popular, most athletic, most versatile, most musical and did the most for her class.

After graduating Copiague High School, Regina went to Rutgers University with academic and track scholarships and graduated in 1993. During her time at Rutgers, Regina worked with children at local elementary schools. It was there that she discovered her passion for working with young people. After graduation, Regina worked for CASES in New York City where she counseled first time felony offenders. She felt that these young people would be better served if they had intervention before they got into trouble, inspiring her to become a teacher in the city of Newark, New Jersey. While teaching, Regina was also able to pursue her music career as a drummer touring Scotland, England, France, Norway and Germany. Regina started an independent record label where she produced 2 LP's, a movie soundtrack and several singles.

During her five years of teaching, Regina earned her Master of Education degree with a concentration in administration and supervision from St. Peter's College in 1998. She became a Vice Principal at 13th Avenue School in Newark and is currently Vice Principal at University High School. Her passion for working with inner city youth keeps her motivated as she continues to impact the students of University High School daily.

Although she never considered herself a writer, recently, Regina independently released her first book. This humorous coffee table book has already sold over 200 copies. Regina has a 4 year old daughter and currently resides in Scotch Plains, New Jersey.

***“To get something you never had before, you have to do something you
have never done before.”***