



ANAEL "DR. A" ALSTON



Transforming education by helping schools and districts unleash student brilliance and eliminate underperformance—unlocking success for every learner.



Keynote Topics:

- **Born Brilliant: The Antidote for Underachievement**
- **The Way of the Champion**
- **You vs. You**

Workshop Topics:

- **College Application Secrets**
- **Understanding by Design**
- **Safe Conversations**

Popular Services:

- **High-Performance Coaching**
- **Workshop Facilitation**

Biography

What if every school had the blueprint to close opportunity gaps and unlock student brilliance? Dr. Anael "Dr. A" Alston has done just that—transforming schools, districts, and state-level systems through bold leadership, tested frameworks, and a belief that every student is born brilliant.

As a Superintendent of Schools, Dr. A led a New York district to a 100% graduation rate. As New York State Middle School Principal of the Year, he turned around a struggling Long Island school, earning the NASSP Breakthrough Schools Award for its dramatic transformation.

A nationally recognized thought leader, Dr. A has contributed to Education Week, ASCD, and Newsday, testified before the Governor's Education Reform Commission, and presented across the U.S. and internationally—from Brooklyn to Cape Town. His messages inspire students, and help educators to build systems that elevate brilliance, resilience, and success in every student.

A former Golden Gloves boxing champion, Dr. A still fights every day—for young people, for educational excellence, and for a better future through education.

Education

Ed.D. Curriculum & Teaching, Teachers College, Columbia University

M.A. Gifted Education, Teachers College, Columbia University

M.S.Ed. Educational Administration, College of New Rochelle

B.A. Sociology (English Minor), Hofstra University

PREVIOUS PARTNERS





Testimonials

Dr. A in Action



“This man is the real deal... I have every expectation that Anael Alston will be a national figure in education for decades to come.”

Dr. Laurence W. Aronstein
Superintendent of Schools (retired)

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