

**Joshua W. Murfree, Jr., Ph.D. – Educator,
Researcher,
Author, Clinician, Community Leader**

Recognized as Outstanding Georgia Citizen by Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger, July 31, 2019.

Dr. Murfree was a 2019 Award Nominee for the Lifetime Achievement Award in Mentoring by the Mentor Organization, January 2019.



Dr. Murfree serves as the Chief Operations Officer for the Fulton DeKalb Hospital Authority which is the owner of the Grady Health System in Atlanta, Georgia. As in his prior leadership positions, he comes with enthusiasm, energy and passion with the desire to make a difference before making a change in the platform of any organization. Dr. Murfree served as the Director of Intercollegiate Athletics at both Fort Valley and Albany State Universities. He has been a successful School Superintendent, Director for the Center of the African-American Male, Director of the Honor's Program, Vice-Chairman of Operations, Vice-Chairman of Programs, Departmental Chairman, as well as a Full Professor with Tenure. Dr. Murfree was recognized as a 2012 nominee for Superintendent of the Year by the Georgia School Superintendent's Association. He has served in other leadership roles as Executive Assistant to the President, Administrative Chief of Staff and Interim Vice-President of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs. Dr. Murfree serves as the National/International Mentoring Chairman of 100 Black Men of America, Inc. and was recognized and honored as the author, architect and creator of a comprehensive mentoring known as "Mentoring the 100 Way [now Mentoring the 100 Way Across a Lifetime]." Dr. Murfree received recognition as the Mentor Organization's Lifetime Achievement Awardee nominee for 2019. Dr. Murfree is married to the former Ms. Samantha Wilson who serves as the Assistant Vice-President of Student Affairs at Mercer University. Dr. Murfree has a daughter by the name of Tabitha and he has two lovely grandchildren by the names of Bayleigh Jay and Rylei Jayce Blair. Dr. Murfree is a member of Beulahland Bible Church under the leadership of Pastor Carlos Kelly. The church is located in Macon, Georgia.