

Tracey Whaley

Executive Director Dekalb Schools Department of Public Safety

CONTACT



Personal Profile

Accomplished and versatile law enforcement leader with over 25 years of service to the community. Successive experience in managing investigations, law & order, security, public service, law enforcement training and police force activities. Demonstrated success in building and sustaining strong community, strategic partnerships, and stakeholder relationships. Skilled manager, adept at developing staff; educating citizens and elevating organizational competence and capabilities.

Highly capable of directing and leading police personnel to meet law enforcement objectives. Successful management of operations focused on lowered crime, heightened security, and strengthened productivity. I am focused on improving the overall quality of life across the communities that I serve as a law enforcement leader and a pastor.

Experience

Executive Director

Professional Profile

- Manages a yearly budget of \$33M
- Manages Public Safety functions which include SROs, Campus Security, Elementary Security Associates & Crossing Guards 507-Total Staff
- 24-hour continuous Camera System monitoring
- 24-hour Patrols-3 Shifts per day
- Manages DSCD Fingerprinting Functions-7000 + people fingerprinted & background checks per year
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- CENTEGIX system administrator -Oversees implementation of district wide visitor management system
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- District wide Safety Administrator Schools Safety Plan oversight and management and management and coordination with local emergency management agencies.
- Evolv Weapons Detection System Administration and Oversight

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Experience

Dekalb County Schools Department of Public Safety
July 2024-Present

Chief of Police
Douglas County Schools Police
May 2024- July 2024

Lead Law enforcement executive responsible for all enforcement, safety/security functions, and compliance maintenance.

Tasked with budgeting, strategic planning, training & coordinating with local law enforcement, courts and public safety services.

Clayton County Schools -Police Department
Major
August 2018-May 2020

Responsible for strategic planning, compliance review, and policy development. Developed the first county-wide active shooter response drill.

Atlanta Public Schools-Police Department
Sergeant
May 2016-August 2018

Served as the South Sector & Morning Watch supervisor responsible for the direct supervision of 38 officers on two shifts.

Dekalb County, GA Schools- Police Department
School Resource Officer
June 2008-May 2016

Responsible for campus security and safety plan implementation. Supervisor responsible for direct supervision of personnel and management of assigned resources.

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Atlanta Police Department

Sergeant (Retired)

September 1995-May 2006

Police Sergeant assigned to RED DOG tactical /narcotics unit. Responsible for the management of 25 police officers & three civilians. Trained over 200 recruits.

Education

Liberty University

Doctorate of Ministry

Counseling Graduation May 14, 2026

Luther Rice College & Seminary

Master of Divinity- 2019 Master of Arts- Organizational Leadership-2014

Savannah State University

Bachelor of Sciences-Criminal Justice-Magna Cum Laude

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Graduated June 1992

Professional Affiliations

- Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police (GACP) GA
- Peace Officer Standards & Training (POST) GA
- Alliance of School Resource Officers and Educators-Board of Directors
- International Association of Chiefs of Police

Accomplishments

- Graduate Atlanta Police Leadership Institute (APLI)
- Executive Regional Command Training
- FBI Law Enforcement-Executive Development Seminar Graduate
- GACP Chiefs School-Executive Certified
- Certified Georgia POST Instructor-Trainer

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Priorities

- Building Trust & Legitimacy
- Policy, Oversight & Improvement
- Using Technology to support safety initiatives
- Policing
- Training
- Education
- Officer Wellness