

# MARC R. DASTOUS PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR / TRAINER

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# **EDUCATION**

ED.S. • SEPT. 2019 ITDE Nova Southeastern University Fort Lauderdale, FL

M. ED. • JULY 2004 Instructional Technology American Intercontinental Univ. Hoffman Estates, IL

BS BUSINESS • MAR. 1992 Western Intl. University Phoenix, AZ

# **KEY SKILLS**

Adult Education Distance Education/Training

- Moodle
- Canvas
- WebCT/Blackboard/Anthology
- Google Classroom

Distance Learning Economic Development Workforce Development Instructional Technology Staff Development BootStrap, HTML5, CSS Advanced Computer Apps Broadcast Video YouTube Channel Development

# PROFILE

I am a dedicated and seasoned educator with 30 years of experience empowering students with cutting-edge knowledge and skills in the digital age. Adept at creating engaging and innovative curricula, fostering a deep understanding of technology, computer science, and digital literacy. I am now seeking opportunities to train a variety of learners in Canada using these skills.

# EXPERIENCE

## TEACHER • JULY 2022 - PRESENT

Midtown High School • Atlanta, GA

- ✓ Teaching HTML5, CSS, JavaScript, Python, and Karel programming languages to students
- ✓ Achieved a 90% pass rate among students in the 2022-2023 school year for the W3Schools Web Design Industry Certification Exam
- ✓ Future Business Leaders of America Chapter Advisor resulting in a state officer and Top Ten National Finalist in the International Business Competition

### PRINCIPAL • JULY 2018 – JUNE 2022

Indian Creek Middle School • Covington, GA

- ✓ Proficiently managed all aspects of school operations, ensuring the smooth functioning of daily activities.
- ✓ Successfully provided leadership to a team of 100+ faculty and staff, guiding them through the challenges posed by the pandemic.
- ✓ Effectively spearheaded efforts to turn around a failing school, implementing strategic changes and improvements.
- ✓ Established and nurtured an effective Professional Learning Community (PLC) culture to enhance collaboration and professional development among educators and staff.

## PRINCIPAL • JULY 2016 – JUNE 2018

Putnam County High School • Eatonton, GA

- ✓ Managed an instructional budget of nearly \$50,000 along with varying Title funds, ensuring responsible allocation of resources.
- ✓ Achieved a graduation rate exceeding 92%, demonstrating a strong commitment to student success and retention.
- ✓ Successfully facilitated the expansion and growth of a new Unmanned Aerial Systems (Drones) pathway, enhancing educational offerings.
- ✓ Developed valuable relationships with the Economic Development Authority to promote economic growth, fostering community engagement and development.

# ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

USA Hockey: Master Coach (Level 5) Silver Level Goalie Coach

Santa Claus: For local charities during the holiday season

Consultant: National Geographic Society Online – Xpeditions Summer Geography Awareness Week Workshop

Chairperson: AZ Geographic Alliance Technology Committee

Director: AZ Geographic Alliance Summer Technology Institute

Seminar leader: Bureau of Education and Research http://www.ber.org

Website administrator and producer: AZ Geographic Alliance

Technology Trainer: Plan for Social Excellence Grant

I have also taught: World Geography GIS (ArcView) CADD (AutoCad) MS Office Applications College level computer applications for teachers

## PRINCIPAL/CEO • AUG. 2013 – JUNE 2016

Sims Academy of Innovation and Technology • Winder, GA

- ✓ Managed a budget of \$2.25 million for furnishing and equipping the Academy and its programs, ensuring responsible financial stewardship.
- ✓ Designed and oversaw the implementation of the Academy's instructional technology system, contributing to a modern and effective learning environment.
- ✓ Successfully recruited and hired top personnel from around the state of Georgia, bringing in expert talent to support the Academy's mission.
- ✓ Developed and nurtured relationships with local leaders, fostering a collaborative spirit of economic development within the community.

#### ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL • JULY 2012 - JULY 2013

Apalachee High School • Winder, GA

- ✓ District RT3 Grant Writing Team Target \$30M to implement system wide 1:1 computing environment
- ✓ Implementation of instructional technology (Distance learning, video, audio, etc.) to enrich instruction
- ✓ Experience in adult education and training for staff development
- ✓ Support role for new principal until Career Academy ground breaking

### PRINCIPAL • JULY 2010 – JUNE 2012

Fort Valley Middle School • Fort Valley, GA

- ✓ Significantly improved student performance with a percentage increase in "Meets" on the Writing Assessment, raising it from 60% to 75%.
- ✓ Successfully led fundraising efforts to replace outdated gymnasium seating, providing a safer and more comfortable environment for students and visitors.
- ✓ Strategically allocated and utilized Title I funds to enhance the schoolwide implementation and use of technology in classrooms, improving the overall learning experience.
- ✓ Implemented new instructional technologies to support and enhance classroom instruction, staying current with modern educational tools and methodologies.

#### ASST. PRIN. OF INSTRUCTION • JAN 2007 - JULY 2010

#### Perry High School • Perry, GA

- ✓ Accomplished a 2009 graduation rate of 86.7%, with a particularly impressive 90% graduation rate for the black sub-population, emphasizing dedication to equity and inclusion.
- ✓ Successfully expanded Advanced Placement opportunities from 6 to 12 classes within three years, enhancing students' access to rigorous academic coursework.
- ✓ Led the extensive implementation of instructional technology to support instruction, ensuring students have access to modern educational tools and resources.
- ✓ Possess valuable experience in adult education and staff development, contributing to the ongoing growth and professional development of the educational team.