

# 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  
Broadcast Video  
OBS  
YouTube Channel Development  
Adobe  
Camtasia

### 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

ITS TECHNICAL TRAINER • SEPTEMBER 2024 - PRESENT  
Gwinnett County Government • Lawrenceville, GA

- Developed 19 face-to-face 1-2 hours Microsoft 365 trainings including; Excel, Word, PowerPoint, Outlook, OneNote, OneDrive, Bookings, Planner, Forms, and Teams.
- Developed a 1-hour Cybersecurity Awareness training presented to all staff in the IT department, the Board of Commissioners and open to all employees.
- Currently developing PCI-DSS training for all county employees.
- Developing Risk Management Process training videos for all county departments.
- Experience with Articulate Rise360

TEACHER • JULY 2022 – JUNE 2024  
Midtown High School • Atlanta, GA

- Taught HTML5, CSS, JavaScript, Python, and Karel programming languages to students
- Extensive use of CodeHS.com to present the necessary curriculum
- 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.

SnagIt  
Adobe Creative Cloud  
Photoshop  
Dreamweaver  
VideoPad  
PhotoPea

## **ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES**

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

Professional Santa  
<https://santamarc.dastous.us>

Official Santa - OperationFeedATL  
<https://operationfeedatl.org/>

Broadcaster  
UPSL/NPSL Soccer Matches  
<https://xlrsportsmedia.com>

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### **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.

### **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 school-wide 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.