



MYCHAL WYNN

PIONEERING PATHWAYS TO EDUCATIONAL
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Mychal Wynn, Founder and CEO of the Foundation for Ensuring Access and Equity, has dedicated over three decades to transforming educational outcomes for marginalized students. Based in Marietta, Georgia, his community-based organization is a beacon for educators, parents, and students navigating the complex landscape of academic achievement and college access. With a prolific career as an educator, researcher, and author of 37 books, Wynn has tackled pressing issues such as increasing Black male achievement, enhancing parent involvement, and closing achievement gaps. His visionary approach predates national conversations on student loan debt and college readiness, demonstrating his foresight in addressing systemic barriers to success.

Wynn's groundbreaking College Planning Cohorts program exemplifies his commitment to actionable solutions. Introduced in 2012, the curriculum-based initiative leverages small-group learning to expand college access and reduce student loan debt. The results are extraordinary: nearly 50% of participating students secure full scholarships, a remarkable contrast to the national average of less than 2%. Recognized for its innovation, the program earned the 2020 Magna Award from the National School Board Association for its success in Guilford County Schools, North Carolina. This accolade underscores Wynn's ability to synthesize research into practical strategies that inspire and empower students, parents, and educators alike.

Wynn's impact extends beyond the classroom. As a conference presenter, staff developer, and curriculum developer, he has trained educators across the country to create positive school climates and foster equity in education. His lived experiences as a first-generation college graduate and child of poverty shape his unwavering belief that marginalized students can achieve any goal when inspired, informed, and supported. A devoted husband and father, Wynn and his wife, Nina, co-founded the Foundation for Ensuring Access and Equity to bridge gaps in educational opportunity. Their sons, Mychal-David and Jalani, exemplify the transformative power of Wynn's work, having achieved success as graduates of Amherst College and Morehouse College, respectively.