

# KATRINA CHANTELLE GRIFFIN

A JOURNEY OF FAITH, FAMILY, AND  
COMMUNITY SERVICE



In the heart of New Orleans, a story of perseverance, dedication, and service unfolds through the life of KaTrina Chantelle Griffin. A woman of faith, a devoted mother, and a tireless community advocate, KaTrina's journey is a testament to the power of determination and the impact of positive role models.

Born to a Marine-trained single mother, KaTrina learned early on the value of

discipline, education, and goal-setting. "My mother was a Marine," KaTrina recalls fondly. "She was mission-driven and imparted that mindset to my sisters and me." This foundation would prove crucial in shaping KaTrina's approach to life's challenges and opportunities.

Faith has always been a cornerstone of KaTrina's life. Guided by her favorite scripture, James 4:10, which speaks to humility and faithfulness to God's



work, she attributes her strength to her spiritual upbringing. “I had a praying mother,” she says, “and I am now that praying mother, very grateful for that foundation.”

Family is where KaTrina’s heart truly lies. Raised in a household with her mother and two sisters, each with distinct personalities, KaTrina learned the importance of adaptability and understanding. Today, as a mother herself, she considers her two children her greatest accomplishment. “My

children push me to be better for myself, for them, and for my community,” she shares.

KaTrina’s commitment to community service is deeply rooted in her upbringing. From a young age, she was exposed to volunteerism through her mother’s example. This early exposure blossomed into a lifelong dedication to giving back. Today, KaTrina’s involvement spans numerous organizations, including the Collective Steps Project, where she serves as Board President,

and advisory roles with the March of Dimes and American Cancer Society.

Her passion for education and youth empowerment is evident in her work with the National Association of University Women (NAUW), where she promotes education for women and children, provides scholarships, and engages in community outreach through educational programs.

Professionally, KaTrina’s journey is equally impressive.

With a Bachelor's in Business Administration and Master's degrees in both Business Administration and Accounting, she has established herself as a leader in various professional organizations. She currently serves as the Chapter President of the National Black MBA Association and is the Vice President-Elect of the Louisiana Federation of Business & Professional Women. KaTrina's diverse experiences and unwavering commitment to her community have naturally led her to her next challenge: running for the Orleans Parish School Board. "Education has

always been a priority for me. Good public schools are critical to a community. Both my children attended Orleans Parish School, so running for the Board was an easy decision," KaTrina states. "All our children deserve excellent schools."

Her vision for the school board is clear and rooted in her personal experiences. "We need to set high expectations and performance standards for both the school board and our students... and never give up. No excuses," she asserts. KaTrina advocates for transparency, goal-setting, and regular progress reviews - practices she learned

from her mother and has implemented throughout her life.

As she embarks on this new chapter, KaTrina Chantelle Griffin brings with her a wealth of experience, a deep understanding of the community's needs, and an unwavering commitment to the children of New Orleans. Her journey - from a child making goal lists under her mother's guidance to a community leader poised to shape the future of education in her city - is a powerful reminder of the impact one dedicated individual can have.

