

Witness Biography – Dr. King

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Dr. Macquiline King is the Superintendent / Chief Executive Officer of Chicago Public Schools (“CPS”). She brings over 30 years of experience in public education as a teacher, principal, and education policy leader.

Dr. King was raised in Chicago and is herself a CPS graduate. She spent 12 years as a CPS classroom teacher, where she earned her National Board Certification, and served as a master teacher, mentoring new educators. She was subsequently selected for the New Leaders Principal Preparation Program, a nationally recognized program focused on accelerating student outcomes.

Dr. King spent 15 years as a principal, spanning her tenures at two schools. As a principal, she secured a grant that enabled one of her schools to become one of the district’s inaugural technology academies, was named a Cahn Fellow for Distinguished Educators, helped one of her schools add a gifted magnet program, and led a fundraising initiative to build a community playground.

From 2022 to 2025, Dr. King served as Senior Director of Education Policy in the Office of the Mayor for the City of Chicago. In this role, she coordinated resources and policies across multiple stakeholders. She provided strategic guidance, helped advance initiatives, and helped finalize a multi-year funding effort to transform schools into hubs for science and arts education.

On July 1, 2025, Dr. King began serving as Interim Superintendent/CEO of CPS. On March 30, 2026, the Chicago Board of Education confirmed her as permanent Superintendent/CEO.