

Regina George Bowden

Class of 1964

Dr. Regina George Bowden, the only daughter of the late Reginald and Johnetta George, was born on March 14th at Lincoln Hospital, in Durham, North Carolina. She attended Durham Public School System and later served as Co-Chair of the Durham Public School Board for eight years. Activist, community leader, educator, and mother, Regina's life has taken on many roles. However, her path as an educator can be attributed to a long line of family members and her godmother, for all of them were passionate educators who passed their passion for education to Regina. While attending graduate school at North Carolina Central University, Regina met and married Marcel Bowden; from this union one son, Morris L. Bowden, was born.



Regina earned a Bachelor's degree in Sociology from Tennessee State University, Nashville, Tennessee and a Masters Degree in Sociology at North Carolina Central University, Durham, North Carolina. Her unbridled desire to learn led her to a second Master's Degree in Education Administration from North Carolina A&T State University, Greensboro, North Carolina. Afterwards, Regina matriculated at North Carolina State University where she earned a Doctorate in Education, with a minor in Social Stratification from Duke University, Durham, North Carolina. Post doctorate work continued at the University of Ghana, Africa with a concentration in Education Economics and Sociology.

Regina's extensive career in education began as a teacher at North Carolina A&T State University. After leaving NC A&T, Regina held various positions at universities around the world. While her special interest has been research on women in Central America, teaching at the University of the Aegean in Rhodes, Greece, at the Graduate School of Leadership, has been the highlight of her career.

Regina has numerous published articles to accompany her list of achievements. While attending a women's conference in New Delhi, India, she presented her analysis, "Women in Costa Rica." Likewise, she presented a paper "Women in Africa and the African Diaspora: Bridges Across Activism and the Academy;" Nigeria, Africa. Not only has she led many research projects in Costa Rica, but she has also presented a paper titled "Race, Class, Gender Issues in Family Economic Well-Being" at the International Conference on Interdisciplinary Social Sciences at the University of Granada, Granada, Spain. Presently, she is expanding her work on women's health issues in Singapore and Cambodia, Asia.

In Addition, Regina is Co-Chair for the Culture Committee for the Durham Business and Professional Chain and has a special passion for the organization as well as her position. Regina can often be found in the community lecturing and lending her voice and knowledge wherever she is needed. As an educator and member of the Durham community, Regina focuses on the needs of children and devotes much of her time and energy to advocate for children and families that would otherwise have no voice.

A devout class member, Regina is in her second term as President of the Hillside High School Class of 1964.

Dr. Regina George-Bowden, a loving mother, relative, and friend, gives her best to her numerous life time relationships and endeavors.

The National Alumni Association of Hillside High School salutes one of it's own – Dr. Regina George-Bowden.