



Kevin M. Maxwell, Ph.D.

The Coalition for Public Safety Training In Schools

A visionary educator, collaborative leader and acclaimed administrator, Dr. Kevin M. Maxwell is Chief Executive Officer of Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS), a role that brought his career full circle.

Raised in Prince George's County, Dr. Maxwell was appointed by County Executive Rushern L. Baker III in 2013. He was the county's first superintendent in more than 25 years to receive a second term.

Dr. Maxwell is a leading authority on arts integration, language immersion and environmental literacy. Under his leadership, PGCPS significantly increased student enrollment, expanded access to full-day prekindergarten, and enhanced dual enrollment programs and specialty offerings. Throughout his career, he focused on raising student achievement, increasing academic rigor and engaging school communities.

Dr. Maxwell began his career 40 years ago as a county high school teacher. He previously led Anne Arundel County Public Schools for seven years. During his tenure, he was named Maryland Superintendent of the Year and a finalist for National Superintendent of the Year. Prior to joining Anne Arundel County, he was an administrator for Montgomery County Public Schools.

His leadership roles include serving on the state's Joint 21st Century Public Schools Facilities Commission and on the executive board of the Public School Superintendents Association of Maryland. Dr. Maxwell is a co-founder of the national Superintendents Environmental Education Collaborative. A frequent panelist, he has delivered presentations at convening's held by AASA, the Wallace Foundation and the National Art Education Association. He also served on the Maryland Fine Arts Education Advisory Panel and UMBC Advisory Committee for Education.

His honors and recognitions include Arts Education in Maryland Schools Alliance Advocate of the Year, Chesapeake Bay Foundation Educator of the Year, PGCPS Visual Arts Teachers Art Leadership Award, Howard University Outstanding Commitment and Service to Community Award, University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC) Alumnus of the Year in Humanities, the Ethics Project's Ambassador Andrew Young Award, and Prince George's Community College Foundation Partners for Success Award.

Dr. Maxwell was bestowed the honor of Knight, Order of Merit of the Italian Republic, for supporting the teaching of the Italian language and culture, and working with the Italian government on arts integration and student-centered learning.

Dr. Maxwell holds a Doctor of Philosophy in Language, Literacy and Culture from UMBC. He earned bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Maryland at College Park. He was awarded an honorary degree from Prince George's Community College.

Dr. Maxwell's children – three daughters and one son – are all graduates of Maryland public schools. His hobbies include reading and traveling. He and his wife Nancy live in Bowie.