



Mr. Kwame W. Asante was born and raised in Ghana, West Africa. He came to the United States at the age of twelve and lived with his parents and two younger siblings Frank (an administrator in the district) and baby sister Yaa-Yaa who works in the Maplewood School district. He grew up in Newark where he attended Blessed Sacrament and Science High School respectively. He is currently married with a 10-year-old son. He enjoys traveling and has an eclectic taste in music.

Mr. Asante is a graduate of Rutgers University with a Bachelor of Arts in English and Africana Studies. He holds a Masters degree in Educational Administration from Cambridge College. He has been in the field of education for nearly twenty-one years, the last eighteen as a member of the Plainfield educational community. He worked through the ranks as a classroom teacher; he taught mathematics and science for 7 years at the elementary level (Evergreen School), and taught mathematics at the middle school level (Vailsburg Middle and Maxson Middle) for a total of 7 years.

During the course of his tenure with the district, Mr. Asante has helped in the development of our students outside of the classroom by serving as a coach and mentor. He was the head coach of the varsity soccer team for a period of 8 years; during the same period of time, he served as an assistant coach to the girls' middle school and high school basketball teams. He additionally coached the middle school boys' track and field teams within that same time frame.

Mr. Asante spent four years in the Plainfield School District as a vice principal of both Maxson and Hubbard Middle Schools respectfully. He spent two years as principal of Washington Community School. In his third year as a principal, he has the privilege of returning to the site of his first teaching assignment in the district Hubbard Middle School to serve as its principal for the 2011 – 2012 school year. He and his team of teachers will be working very diligently with parents to foster an atmosphere that promotes a learning community characterized by academic excellence, respect, trust, excellent communication, community involvement and recognition of both student and staff achievement.