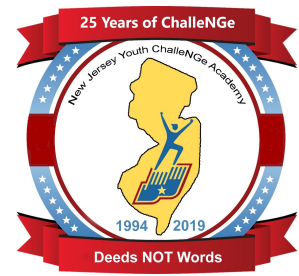




BIOGRAPHY

RICHARD W. ALLEN



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Mr. Allen joined The New Jersey Youth Challenge Academy in November 2019 to serve as the principal and leader of the educational programs offered to our residents.

Richard W. Allen, Ed.S. began his career in public education as a teacher and coach. He left the classroom after 10 years to begin his 25 year tenure as a Supervisor, Assistant Principal, high school Principal, and Central Office Administrator overseeing New Jersey's first early college high school program. He is an adjunct professor at Monmouth University Graduate School of Education and Brookdale Community College.

Additionally, he serves as a special consultant to the President of Brookdale Community College working on innovative programming. His work as a Principal has been documented in *Uncommon Learning: Creating Schools That Work for Kids* by Eric Sheninger, (Corwin Press, 2015). He is also featured in *The TEACHER* and *THE ADMIN* by Kris Felicello and Gary Armida (EduGladiators LLC, 2019), *THE TEN-MINUTE PRINCIPAL* by Evan Robb (Corwin, 2019), and *LEAD with CULTURE; What Really MATTERS in Our Schools*, by Jay Billy (Dave Burgess Consulting, Inc., 2018). He is the Co-Chair of the NJ Autism Think Tank, co-founder of DisruptED TV, and co-founder of the Hackensack Meridian School of Medicine at Seton Hall University Mini-Medical School hosted at Monmouth University. He is a frequent guest speaker at professional development conferences throughout New Jersey. He serves as a mentor/coach for the New Jersey Department of Education's Principal's Learning Network. He has worked with the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office, the IEEE, Rutgers University, and Paper Mill Playhouse to create specialized programming in law enforcement, engineering, environmental science, and theatre arts, open to all students in Monmouth, Ocean, and Middlesex Counties.