



# Call Me MISTER News

A Program within the College of Education, Health, and Human Services

## Longwood’s Call Me MISTER Program Participated in National Call Me MISTER program

The National Call Me MISTER Virtual Conference along with the Educational Testing Service, and the National Urban League addressed the critical issue of recruiting male minority teachers into the teaching career. (January 26, 2021)



Jonathan Brooks

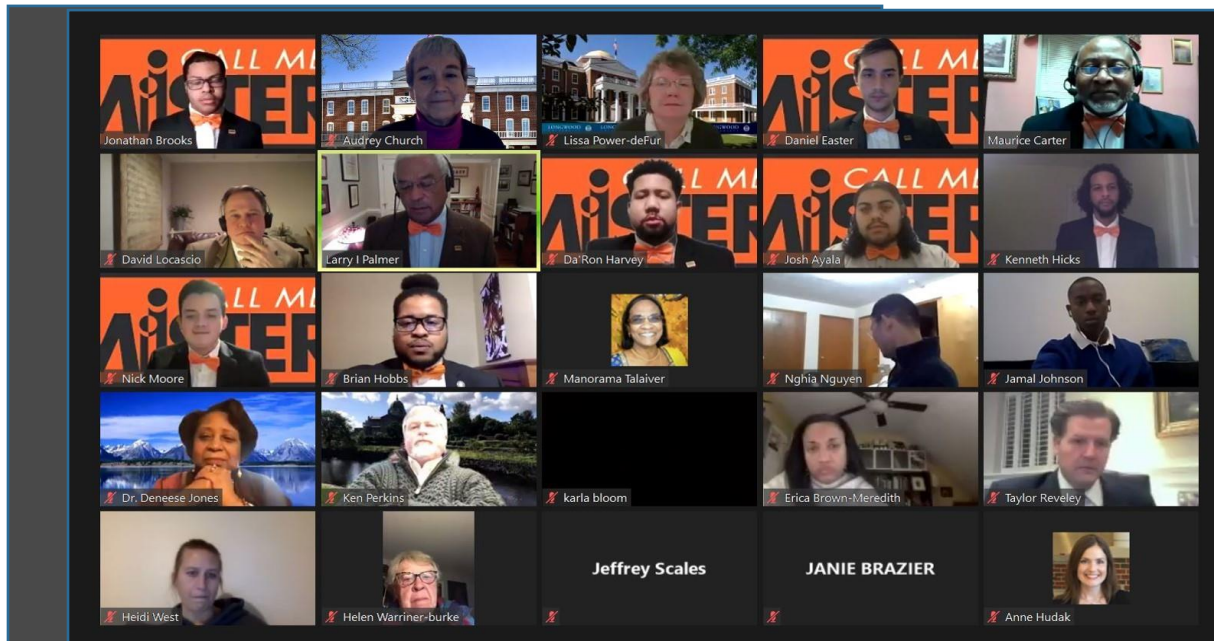


Dr. Maurice Carter, Director



Javion Peterson

## Call Me MISTER Participants Lead Online Book-read and Discussion focusing on Race in American Education



Participants in the Call Me MISTER program led an on-line book-read and discussion focusing on Race in American Education in February 15, 2021. The virtual event featured a discussion based upon excerpted passages from *Scholarship Boy*, a 2020 memoir by Larry I. Palmer. Mr. Palmer also participated in the event, which drew virtual attendees from the Longwood community and from school divisions throughout Virginia. The discussion provided a connection between the historical reflections framed in the book with the contemporary education of young men of color in America. The event was part of a spring 2021 campaign to raise money for a scholarship fund to provide additional financial support for young men involved in the CMM program.

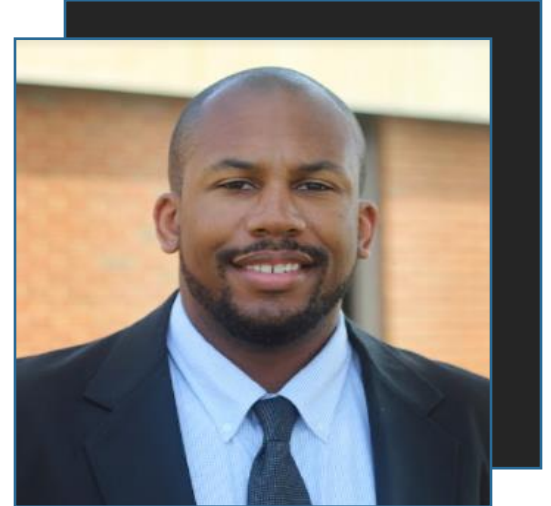
## Mr. Javion Peterson's Governor's Fellowship Working with Virginia's Education Secretary



Javion Peterson began his first full-time teaching position at Goochland High School this fall. Before beginning his job, Javion spent the summer as a fellow in the office of Virginia's secretary of education, an assignment that is the result of Peterson's selection for the prestigious Governor's Fellows Program. The program gives rising college seniors, graduating seniors and graduate students from across Virginia the opportunity to gain valuable, firsthand experience working under cabinet secretaries and alongside staff in the governor's office. During his fellowship in the office of Education Secretary Atif Qarni, Peterson has met with high-ranking state government officials and attended various Virginia Department of Education meetings. "While at Longwood, Peterson was involved in Call Me MISTER; active in the Student Government Association, where he served as a senator; and a member of Lancer Lunatics. The fellowship has inspired Peterson to consider exploring more opportunities for working within state government. "This experience has allowed me to grow and become a better public servant," he said. "I've strengthened my communication, leadership and management skills, and expanded my network. I love connecting with people from all across the state."

## Congratulations to Mr. Jawaad Douglas, the New Assistant Principal at Staunton River Middle School

Mr. Jawaad Douglass joined Staunton River Middle School as Assistant Principle. Mr. Douglass previously served at William Fleming High School in Roanoke City, Dunbar Middle in Lynchburg City, and North Stafford High School in Stafford County. Mr. Douglas came to Staunton River with a variety of experiences in education and coaching. Mr. Douglas has served as the Health/ PE/ Driver Education Teacher, Driver Education Building Coordinator, Varsity Football Defensive Coordinator, and a Varsity Assistant Coach for several teams including football, girls and boys basketball, and track and field. Mr. Douglas earned a Master of Education degree in Educational Leadership from Averett University and a Bachelor of Science degree in Kinesiology with a concentration in Health and Physical Education PreK-12 from Longwood University. During his time of Longwood, Mr. Douglas was an active part of the Call Me MISTER program on campus.



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