Angela R. Marshall, M.S.

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Angela R. Marshall, M.S., is an educator, nonprofit founder, educational leader, and emerging scholar whose career reflects more than two decades of dedication to expanding educational access, strengthening communities, advocating for students, and empowering young people to recognize their potential.

Angela is the Founder of G.L.O.W. Literacy Initiative, Inc. (Girls Learning, Overcoming, and Winning), a literacy-centered nonprofit serving girls in grades 1–8 throughout the Shreveport-Bossier community. G.L.O.W. was founded from Angela's belief that literacy is more than the ability to read and write, it is a foundation for confidence, self-expression, leadership, academic achievement, and lifelong opportunity.

Through G.L.O.W., Angela seeks to create a safe and supportive environment where girls are encouraged to strengthen their literacy skills, discover their voices, build confidence, develop leadership abilities, and explore opportunities beyond the classroom. Her vision is to help girls not only become stronger students but also grow into confident, capable, compassionate, and productive members of their communities.

Angela brings 26 years of combined experience in education, including 21 years in higher and postsecondary education and five years in K–12 education. Throughout her career, she has remained committed to student advocacy, educational access, institutional improvement, compliance, and creating pathways that help students succeed.

Her professional expertise includes financial aid administration, college access, accreditation support, educational compliance, institutional operations, and student services. Angela has served on national boards supporting higher and postsecondary education, provided financial aid consulting services to institutions across the country, supported SACSCOC reaffirmation processes, and contributed to federal education initiatives through work involving the U.S. Department of Education. These experiences have provided her with a broad understanding of education from the classroom and student level to institutional leadership, policy, and compliance.

Angela's commitment to girls and youth development began well before the creation of G.L.O.W. In 2017, she founded T.R.A.P. Girlz, a community-based nonprofit dedicated to empowering girls through enrichment, leadership development, mentorship, and personal growth. She served as the organization's CEO for nine years, gaining invaluable experience in nonprofit leadership, program development, community engagement, and working directly with girls and families.

That experience helped shape the vision for G.L.O.W. Literacy Initiative. Angela recognized that literacy could serve as a powerful foundation upon which other forms of development could be built. G.L.O.W. represents an evolution of her longstanding commitment to girls, combining literacy with leadership, enrichment, confidence-building, mentorship, and exposure to new experiences.

Academically, Angela holds a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Arts in Criminal Justice and is currently pursuing her Doctorate in Educational Leadership, which she expects to earn in March 2027. Her doctoral studies further strengthen her understanding of educational leadership, organizational effectiveness, research, student support, and the systems that influence educational outcomes.

Angela is also a proud member of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated and The National Society of Leadership and Success, affiliations that complement her personal commitment to scholarship, leadership, service, and community engagement.

As Founder of G.L.O.W., Angela provides strategic leadership and vision for the organization while working alongside its Board of Directors and community partners to develop sustainable programming, cultivate partnerships, secure resources, and create meaningful educational experiences for girls. She believes G.L.O.W.'s greatest impact will

come through collaboration, bringing educators, families, businesses, nonprofit organizations, community leaders, and volunteers together around a shared commitment to the success of young girls.

At the heart of Angela's work is a simple belief: every girl deserves the opportunity to discover the power of her own voice. Whether that voice is discovered through a book, expressed through writing, strengthened through mentorship, or developed through leadership, Angela wants G.L.O.W. to be a place where girls know that their ideas matter, their dreams are worthy, and their futures are filled with possibilities.

Through G.L.O.W. Literacy Initiative, Angela is continuing a lifelong commitment to education and service by building an organization where girls are encouraged and equipped to become exactly what the name represents—Girls Learning, Overcoming, and Winning.