

Rayna Eberhardt is a native of Louisville, Kentucky. She was the youngest child of Bill and Frenchie Robinson, born and raised in the West End along with her older brother TaRon Rydel. As a child she was educated in the JCPS Traditional School program where she always excelled in the classroom because of her love of learning. It was in high school, at Louisville Male High School that Rayna became focused on her love of education and reading. At that point that Rayna knew she wanted to have a career in teaching. While at Male Rayna was active in the Beta Club, American Red Cross, Minority Teacher Recruitment Program (MTRP), National Spanish Honor Society, National Honor Society, Concert Band, Marching band, While at Male Rayna was active in the Black Achievers, Beta Club, American Red Cross, Minority Teacher Recruitment Program (MTRP), National Spanish Honor Society, National Honor Society, Concert Band, Marching band, and several other organizations.

After high school she attended Tennessee State University in Nashville, TN on an academic scholarship where she obtained a Bachelors degree in English with teaching certification (7-12) with Honors. At Tennessee State Rayna was active in campus life through her participation in Students Against Destructive Driving (SADD), Love You Like a Sister (LYLAS) community service organization, Student Union Board of Governors (SUBG), University Peer Counselors, MEE (Multicultural Educational Enrichment) tutor, and the National English Honor Society among other campus organizations. While at Tennessee State, Rayna's focus was education, her own and the education of the youth in the surrounding Nashville community.

Once she completed her undergraduate education, Rayna then went on to obtain a Master's degree from Miami University (Ohio) in English literature. While attending Miami University she was employed by the university as a graduate assistant. As part of her duties, she taught freshman English courses while maintaining her own full course load. Through her involvement with the Center for Black Culture and Learning (CBCL), Rayna worked with another graduate student to create the Umoja Arts and Literature Club to promote exploration of the impact of the African American culture through the literature it has produced.

Rayna currently is an English teacher at duPont Manual High School where she teaches ninth, eleventh, and twelfth grade students. During her tenure at Manual, Rayna has sponsored the Debate team, and co-sponsored the HSTMP (High School Teacher Recruitment Program). At Manual, Rayna has had the opportunity to reach the lives of numerous students on a daily basis through the study of literature, grammar and writing. In her daily work, Rayna desires to treat each student as an individual and work to help each young person to reach their greatest personal potential.

Rayna married John Mark Eberhardt in 2004 and they enjoy hosting family and friends at their home on a regular basis. Rayna was initiated into the Eta

Omega chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. in 2006 where she currently maintains active membership. In addition, she is an active member of Southeast Christian Church where she participates in Women's Bible Study and is a Discover Group Leader. In her spare time Rayna enjoys reading, cooking, traveling, and spending time with friends and family.