

N. Preston Mercer Bio

Nicholas Preston Mercer is a Decatur resident with an impressive background in education. Mercer holds a Master of Education in Higher Education Leadership degree from Mercer University and a Bachelor of Arts in English from Valdosta State University. As an educator, he organized and recalibrated the 6th grade team roster of students into three separate classes/periods. Mercer has created online lessons that served as safety nets for remediating students (Success Maker). He exhibits great rapport with parents via ClassDojo. Mercer coordinates programs with the guidance department, as well as promotes PBIS behavior methods to tier II and tier III students. He was responsible for identifying the special needs of students by using data and differentiation. Mercer spearheaded the development of chess clubs in educational environments and assisted team members with classroom management.

During his career, he provided grouping methods for the purpose of addressing behavioral issues in the classroom, while developing grade level content assessment with the assistance of the content chair. Mercer formulated a school improvement method via an event for well-behaved students. He participated in the hiring of new staff members to LMS as the de facto AP, as well as built the school master schedule with the assistance of the summer leadership team. Mercer handled discipline and referrals for the Rising Scholars Program as the de facto AP and conducted thorough walk-throughs to ensure proper instruction was taking place in the classroom. As a community leader and activist and member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Mercer developed the Keep the Youth in School program with the Georgia Appleseed Center for Law and Justice and organized PDHC Comedy Show to register citizens in the community to vote in local elections, while serving as Chairman of the District 5 Community Council.