



Women of DISTINCTION

HONORING WOMEN IN NEW YORK

Krystle Jimenez

Krystle Jimenez is an elementary school principal who has dedicated her life to serving children, using both her personal and professional experiences to uplift and empower young minds. A proud Latina of Dominican and Puerto Rican descent, she understands the importance of representation and mentorship in education. Throughout her career, she has worked tirelessly to inspire students, particularly those from marginalized communities, to strive for excellence and reach beyond their surroundings.

Ms. Jimenez's commitment to education is backed by an impressive academic journey. She earned her Bachelor's degree in English Adolescent Education from Molloy College, followed by a Master's degree in English from Stony Brook University. Recognizing the importance of leadership in shaping school culture and policies, she pursued a school district leadership certification from The College of Saint Rose and is currently advancing her expertise as a doctoral student at Russell Sage College.

As a mother of five, Ms. Jimenez credits her family's unwavering support for her success. She also attributes her resilience and leadership skills to her background as an athlete, having competed in sports from the age of eight through college. Her experience in athletics instilled in her the values of discipline, teamwork, and perseverance—qualities she now imparts to her students.

Ms. Jimenez's journey as an educator began early, and at 16 years of age, she volunteered as a baseball coach in East New York, realizing her passion for mentorship and youth development. Over the past 19 years, she has worked across various educational settings, engaging with students from Pre-K to high school. Her extensive experience has given her a deep understanding of the challenges students face and the importance of creating inclusive, supportive learning environments.

Today, Ms. Jimenez proudly serves as the principal of one of the largest elementary schools in New York. In this role, she continues her mission to be a role model for minority youth, fostering a school culture that encourages ambition, confidence, and academic achievement. Through her leadership, she hopes to inspire the next generation of students to dream boldly and create futures filled with opportunity and success.

***Krystle Jimenez was selected as a
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