



Statewide Symposium on Charter Schools: Celebrating 20 Years of College Readiness

September 19, 2017
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

LEAP Academy University Charter School
Dr. Gloria Bonilla-Santiago Building, 12th Floor
130 N. Broadway, Camden, NJ 08102

Featured Speaker:



Ronald C. Rice, Jr., JD
Senior Director, Government Relations
National Alliance for Public Charter Schools

Ron C. Rice has over 15 years of public policy experience in the fields of education, urban development and community empowerment initiatives as an executive state government appointee and two-term local elected official. Prior to joining the National Alliance, Ron served as the Special Assistant/Chief Policy Analyst for the Chief of Staff to the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Education, and as a city councilman for two terms in Newark under Mayor Cory Booker where he created his ward's Education Support Committee and consistently supported charter school facility needs and their growth and advancement throughout the city, specifically working with KIPP (TEAM Rise and SPARK Academies), Uncommon Schools (North Star Academy) and community charters such as Marion P. Thomas Charter School, Lady Liberty Academy and Adelaide Sanford Charter School.

Ron has created and served on numerous boards, commissions, and school boards. He is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and a graduate of American University in Washington, D.C. with a degree in Political Science/Public Administration. Ron received his Juris Doctor from the Seton Hall University, School of Law in Newark, NJ. Ron is a US Presidential trivia nerd in addition to being an avid listener of all things music.

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