

## **Angeline A. Rivello**

Angeline A. Rivello has been an educator for almost 30 years starting as a middle school teacher serving high need students in southern New Jersey. It was during this initial teaching experience that Angeline decided to dedicate her life to helping children receive an excellent education. Over the next eight years, Angeline served as an Assistant Principal and Principal in New Jersey, Florida, and New Hampshire.

She returned to her home state of Delaware in 2010 to serve as the head of Human Resources in Red Clay Consolidated School District. In 2012, she answered the call to serve at the state level as a Director for the Delaware Department of Education. In this role, she focused on providing support to all school districts and charter schools for educator effectiveness practices with an end goal of increased student achievement. Angeline also served as an Associate Secretary at the Delaware Department of Education tasked with overseeing efforts focused on educator preparation, licensure/certification, recruitment, placement, evaluation, professional learning, educator investigations, retention and compensation.

While this was important work, Angeline felt herself called back to serving students directly once again. In 2018, Angeline returned to the school building as the Principal of The Charter School of Wilmington. She undertook the unprecedented efforts to lead a school through a worldwide pandemic and return to classroom learning safely without compromising academic integrity. In her current role as Assistant Principal of Kent County High School, Angeline is directly involved with both students and teachers allowing her to sharpen her focus on communication and innovation with curriculum.

Throughout all of her leadership roles, Angeline has developed a synergistic leadership style of collaborative decision making coupled with the confidence to make swift decisions. Angeline is a firm believer in blending educational methods proven effective while recognizing that just because something has always been done a certain way, doesn't mean that it continues to be the best way and that methods cannot be improved.

Angeline is a Delaware native who attended the University of Delaware where she studied to be an educator specializing in mathematics and special education. She went on to graduate from Rowan University in 2001 with a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership. A proud lifelong learner, Angeline will graduate with her Doctorate in Executive Educational Leadership from Bowie State University in early 2025.

Angeline lives in Middletown with her husband Joe and their Golden Retriever, Cooper. You can often find Angeline on walks or hikes with Cooper as he searches for the perfect stick to carry as his souvenir. She also enjoys spending time with her father, who served our country in the Army before starting his own business here in Delaware. In her spare time, she enjoys yoga, running, hiking, dog agility, volunteering, and traveling.