



Dr. Telisha Roberts

EVERYTHING YOU CAN
IMAGINE
is real.

...is one of Telisha's favorite quotes.

She believes every accomplishment begins with the power to *RE-imagine*.

Telisha believes *education* is the greatest weapon to drive change, eliminate inequalities, reduce poverty, and build families and communities. “Add the right mentor relationships to education, and you have the potential to turn dreams into reality.”

As a young student, she fell in love with basketball and volleyball. Her love for sports led her to Winston Salem State University (WSSU) after receiving a volleyball scholarship. While she loved the sport of volleyball, basketball was her passion and playing for the WNBA was her dream. After that dream did not come to light, she left WSSU, giving up on education and her dream of becoming a WNBA basketball star.

She entered the world of work with only a high school diploma and quickly discovered the need for education to earn a living wage. She was able to land a job as a Secretary with a local temporary agency. After a year of hard work and mentorship, the temporary position turned into a full-time career opportunity.

She completed her Undergraduate, MBA, and Doctorate degrees all while working full-time. She *RE-imagined* her career path and she worked until it became a reality.

Telisha believes the primary keys to success are education, tenacity, personal responsibility, continuous learning, boldness, personal and professional development, creativity, and strong relationships. Telisha shares her personal and professional experiences with others through community many volunteer events that focus on personal and professional development.

Her belief in education and preparation for career success led her to the Winston Salem Street School. Telisha serves as an Executive Board member for the Street School. She created the school's Career Prep & Jobs program. The program is designed to prepare students for work after graduation.

Telisha is constantly seeking new and innovative ways to support local organizations and serve individuals. In her spare time, she enjoys a new sport – golf, taking cooking classes, visiting new local restaurants, and spending time with close friends and family.

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