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## Ms. Alumni 2017-18



Stephanie Humphries Ms. Alumni 2017-18

Stephanie Humphries is a native of Yonkers, New York. She relocated to the city of Richmond at an early age, where she attended Richmond Public Schools. After graduating from Huguenot High School, Stephanie was accepted into several colleges. She decided to attend Norfolk State University and in 1987, she graduated from NSU with a B.S. in Computer Science. While volunteering in her daughter's classroom, she was inspired to become an educator. Stephanie went on to receive a Master of Teaching (M.T.) degree at Virginia Commonwealth University and a post-baccalaureate certificate in library services.

Humphries is currently employed by Richmond Public Schools as a Library Media Specialist. One of the most important and rewarding aspects of her job is helping students develop information literacy. Today's students are constantly bombarded with information from a wide variety of sources, and it is important they have the ability to think critically, ask the right questions, evaluate sources and be able to discern fact from fiction. In addition to her normal duties, she serves as a sponsor for the sophomore class, the Young Adult Book Club and the Student Ambassadors. She was acknowledged this year as the 2017-2017 Teacher of the Year for her school, and a 2017 recipient of the Laura Bush Foundation grant which will be used to help fund her school's library.

Humphries does not mind rolling up her sleeves and doing what is needed to get the job done. She is a dedicated member of the Norfolk State University Alumni Association (NSUAA) Richmond chapter where she serves as the recording secretary/membership coordinator. She has also served as the chairperson of finance and webmaster at Great Hope Baptist Church, where she has been a member for 44 years. Other memberships and affiliations include: NEA/VEA/Richmond Education Association, American Association of School Librarians (AASL), American Library Association (ALA), Educators of School Librarians Sections (ESLS), and the Library Research Round Table.

Humphries continues to reside in Richmond with her husband Alfonzo and their youngest son. In her spare time, she enjoys skyping with her daughter, who is currently an educator overseas, spending time with family and friends, reading, line dancing, and of course, attending NSU events.