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Administrative History

Julia Lockley Johnson grew up in Brooklyn. She obtained her bachelor's degree in sociology at Brooklyn College and a master's degree from New York University. She began her career as a teacher and guidance counselor at one of New York City's first alternative schools and later took on administrative roles in Mamaroneck, Southern Westchester BOCES, and the Nyack and White Plains school systems.

In the 1990s, Regent Johnson worked for the U.S. Department of Education under President Bill Clinton as deputy assistant secretary, and later as the acting assistant secretary for elementary and secondary education. From 2001-2011, she served as superintendent of Peekskill's schools and worked as interim superintendent in Mount Vernon from 2012-2014.
Scope and Content Note

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Sponsors of the many honors and awards include Mount Vernon School District; New York State Council of School Superintendents; New York State Assembly; Westchester NAACP; National Black Alliance of Black School Educators; and the Westchester County Board of Legislation.

A few of the many honors documented in the series include Superintendent of the Year, 2002; Drum Major for Justice Award, 2014; Judith Johnson Day, 2008; Judith Johnson Month, 2008; Effie Jones Humanitarian Award, 2010; Excellence in Education, 2004; Maxine Giacobbe Award, 2005; and Lighting the Way Visionary Award, 2019.

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