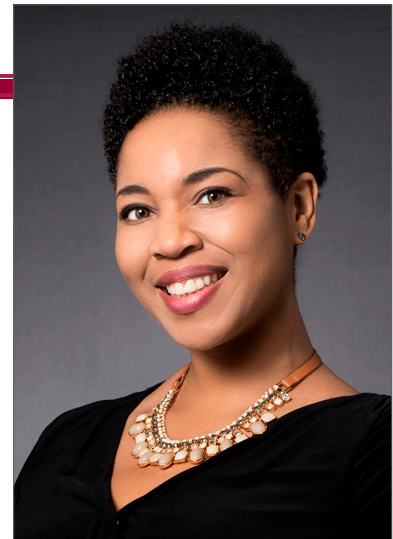# Kristin Pierson Forrest

Kristin Pierson Forrest has 15 years of experience as an educator in some of Houston's largest and most challenging school districts. Before transitioning to her current position at the nonprofit Dress for Success, she was one of the most sought-after primary teachers in the Houston area. As an aha! Process consultant, she has spent an equal amount of time training and mentoring teachers on classroom management and the value of relationships. Many of Pierson Forrest's students began far below expected performance levels; however, after working in her room, they left not only performing well above standard, but exceeding anyone else's expectations as well.

Districtwide, Pierson Forrest was ranked as the #1 fifth-grade teacher for three consecutive years for measured academic student growth in reading. Pierson Forrest, a graduate of Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia, earned her Master's Degree in Education Administration from Sam Houston State University in 2009.

Pierson Forrest is currently the program coordinator for Dress for Success, a nonprofit in the Houston area that focuses on helping women experiencing poverty gather tools needed to gain employment and thrive in the workplace.

Selected workshops presented by Kristin Pierson Forrest

• A Framework for Understanding Poverty
• Research-Based Strategies
• Tucker Signing Strategies for Reading

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