



Mr. Terry Bentley

MEET THE DEAN

I arrived at Hearst on April 01, 2018, as Dean of Students. I am a product of the Chicago educational system. I attended Chicago public schools, continued my education graduating from Chicago City Colleges. In addition, I have attained a Master of Science in Criminal Justice from Chicago State University. I am very passionate about seeking positive solutions to all forms of systemic racism, social injustice, and all issues that negatively impact all of our impoverished communities. I am also an advocate for minority families, and all individuals that need assistance and guidance socially, educationally, and emotionally.

As Dean some of my primary duties and responsibilities are as follows but not limited to:

- Implementing and monitoring a Positive Behavior Intervention Support Program
- Create Advisory Curriculum in conjunction with administration around Social and Emotional Learning
- Deliver staff development around the PBIS/SEL programs
- Implement and monitor the peer mediation council
- Create staff/student mentoring initiative for at-risk students
- De-escalate student incidents and behavior
- Maintain communication with parents, teachers, and administration
- Refer students to administration or student support as needed
- Ensure that attendance is entered daily into Aspen.
- Ensure that all reporting timelines and deadlines are met.
- Monitor student attendance and track absences
- Daily phone calls to parents and students when absent
- Home visits to chronically absent students
- Design and implement attendance incentives
- Serve on the attendance task force