

CONFERENCE BACKSTORY

Observing today's tumultuous political landscape, the outright attacks on everything and everyone of color, and our dangerous addiction to technology causes me to think about the wellbeing of Black girls more today than ever before. Additionally, recalling my challenges as a teen girl and how they were vastly different than today's teen girl makes me curious about how our girls are seeing, digesting, and moving through life. Ten years ago, October 2016, this curiosity inspired me to host the Rising Young Women Professional Conference—Maryland's first ever professional conference for 11th and 12th grade girls. The intention was to curate an experience that would show girls a promising path toward a more excellent personal and professional life while showering them with love. The conference exceeded every vision and expectation I had. Ten years later, I am commemorating our experience by hosting the Rising Young Women Professional Conference *again*. Just as before, we will have amazing keynote speakers, workshop presenters, and life changing surprise giveaways our girls will not see coming. If you are in the Baltimore-Washington area, we invite you to join us. Click the registration link on this webpage to register your daughter, niece, little sister, mentee, or group of girls at your school. Scroll below to get a glimpse of the 2016 conference.

Mischa Duffie

Founder of Girls as CEOs & The Integrity Institute, LLC

Visionary of Rising Young Women Professional Conference

