



Imagine School



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Sylvia Allen is the partner/owner for GP Consulting, a company that focuses on workforce and leadership development. She has previously been an executive at International Game Technology (IGT), where she developed worldwide programs that increase executive leadership capability and the company's commitment to Diversity & Inclusion. Her career includes roles as the Global Director for

Philanthropy and Chief Diversity Officer at Cisco Systems, where she was also the first African American to be a board member of the Cisco Foundation. She had oversight for the Networking Academy system that provides technology education to youth in underserved communities around the world..

Previously, she was the Director of Organizational Leadership for Silicon Graphics Inc, in Northern California and led teams in other technology companies that have helped build her expertise in management development, and engagements in global markets and cultures. She is certified in many human resource practices, as well as having led corporate social responsibility programs that connect the company to the community. She has been a speaker for many global forums and received awards for her community contributions.

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She currently serves as Vice President of 100 Black Women- Las Vegas, Vice President of the Urban League Guild, and Secretary to the Cultural Diversity Foundation and is an active community volunteer .She is a founder of the Silicon Valley Women of Color and has been a Program Manager for a Youth Employment Leadership Project for the Boys and Girls Club of Las Vegas. Sylvia is has been on the board of the100 Academy of Excellence charter school, since 2009 and works with programs that empower girls. Her efforts focus on making a difference in programs that leverage economic empowerment, education and health-, the cornerstone areas that affect our families and our community. .

A native of Chicago, mother and grand mom, she enjoys traveling and lifelong learning. She has been named in the Who's Who of African American Women and received many awards for her contributions. Sylvia has a BA in Business from California State University of Los Angeles, and an MBA from Pepperdine University.

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