

## Jared Keaton Chief Executive Officer

Jared Keaton started his career at Alliance Center of Education in 1998, as a member of the Center's Accounting Team. Being recognized as a mission-first leader, Jared was quickly promoted and has led the organization through several growth cycles as Controller, Assistant Executive Director, and Chief Operating Officer. Today, as the Chief Executive Officer, Jared continues to elevate the organization's mission of helping children from birth to high school graduation access quality educational services. Jared has also refined year-round services provided for K-12<sup>th</sup> grade students, promoting student success in school.

Over the next several years, Jared will lead AC4Ed in implementing its newly adopted strategic plan. This plan focuses on the expansion of the three-year-old early childhood education program, enhancing Afterschool programs, and expanding the service area footprint of the organization to provide these critical services to more children.

Prior to joining Alliance Center of Education, Jared worked as a Trust Accountant at Wachovia Bank.

Jared holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Business Management from Winston-Salem State University.

## **About Alliance Center for Education**

Alliance Center for Education, formerly Bethlehem Center of Charlotte, has been improving economic mobility for thousands of Mecklenburg County children since 1940. AC4Ed's mission is to provide high-quality education and support for children in need through partnership with their families. With Early Childhood centers serving children from birth through age five, and Afterschool programming for kindergarten through 12th grade, AC4Ed serves more than 800 families daily. For more information, visit www.AC4Ed.org.