

# Welcome to Dutchtown Elementary School

*Mr. Gatling & Mrs. Flourney*



## **SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING (SEL)**

Welcome to our classroom. We are honored to have the opportunity to grow with your child this school year. Mrs. Flourney and I are honored to be a part of this amazing faculty and administration here at Dutchtown Elementary School. This is my sixth year as an Exceptional Student Educator here at DES and Ms. Flourney has been here at DES going on year 15. I have been in education for nine years. Prior to education, I worked with the Georgia Department of Corrections for five years. My goal is to provide students with the appropriate Social and Emotional coping skills to be successful in not only in the classroom, but in LIFE. Furthermore, I want to empower and encourage my students to have the desire to learn and the ability to grow.

The foundation of my classroom is built upon RESPECT and RESPONSIBILITY. Students that transition from my classroom will leave with knowing how to show respect as well as give respect to others. My students also and will learn how to become independent and responsible children.

I am thankful to be the husband of my beautiful wife, the father of my precious daughter and the caretaker of our family dog "Koko". As a family we enjoy traveling, watching movies, shopping and hanging out at places like Dave and Buster's and Urban Air. In my spare time, I love to play basketball and watch college & NFL football (Go RAVENS!!!).

I graduated with my Master's Degree in Special Education from Grand Canyon University and my Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Georgia College & State University. Thank you for allowing me to help with growing your child during this 2020-2021 remote learning school year. Should you have any questions, I can be reached during office hours from 9:00AM to 11:00 AM on Fridays. You can also reach me via email at [Tylan.gatling@henry.k12.ga.us](mailto:Tylan.gatling@henry.k12.ga.us) or at 770-471-0844.