

Byron V. Garrett

Short Bio

An accomplished business executive, government official and humanitarian, Byron V. Garrett is a true renaissance man. One of the most compelling and inspirational voices of our time, Byron is Chairman of the National Family Engagement Alliance (NFEA), a nonprofit dedicated to transforming education through meaningful family engagement. Byron is the Visionary and Chief Creative Officer of The Valdecio Collection, a lifestyle luxury brand consisting of clothing, watches, fragrances and eyewear. The former Director of Educational Leadership & Policy for Microsoft serves as a consulting author for Scholastic.

In 2017, Scholastic launched the Byron V. Garrett Social Emotional Learning Collection. Inspired by his bestselling book, *The ABC's of Life* (Scholastic 2013), the library was created to equip young people with the skills needed to navigate society, making it a powerful and inspiring resource for today's classroom. Byron is also the author of the highly popular *There's Greatness on the Inside* and the forthcoming release, *Motivated for Greatness*.

Currently, he is a Board Member for CircleIn, the CeCe Peniston Youth Foundation and the High Point University Alumni Association. Garrett was named "Mr. Enterprise" by Black Enterprise on their Modern Man 100 list.