

Claude A. Gilmore

Class of 1972

Claude Gilmore has devoted his career to improving the lives of others—in youth development, teen pregnancy prevention, mental health services, abstinence education, drug prevention and community advocacy. He served as the State of Wisconsin's "anti-drug czar" from 1996-2003. Since 2003, Gilmore has been Youth Policy Director for the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services. He has been Senior Adjunct Faculty Member in the Business and Management Division at Cardinal Stritch University since 1988. Gilmore was one of Wauwatosa East's first African-American graduates, having moved here from South Carolina at age 15 in a church-sponsored program for better education. Gilmore earned a B.S. degree in Social Work from Carroll College and M.S. degrees in Social Work and Health Services Administration from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and Cardinal Stritch, respectively. He and his lovely wife, Clare Feierstein Gilmore, also a Wauwatosa East graduate, have three wonderful children.

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