

## Nicole Neal Biography

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Nicole Neal is the CEO of Indaba Global Education Solutions (IGES), LLC. Ms. Neal is a visionary leader and a pioneer in building transformative education products. Most recently Ms. Neal was the President of the Education Solutions Group (ESG) at CORE Education Consulting and Solutions, LLC. She managed a portfolio of formative assessment, intervention and content solutions for districts and states serving Pre-K, K-12, Employability, Special Education and Higher Education sectors. Ms. Neal also served as the Senior Vice President of Major Accounts and State Services for Pearson Education Inc., one of the world's largest education publishing and technology companies. Prior to Pearson, Nicole served as Senior Vice President of Client Services for Schoolnet, Inc., where she played an important part in helping to drive the company's accelerated growth, leading to Pearson's acquisition of Schoolnet.

As a seasoned business executive with more than two decades of experience and a series of successes with large and mid-sized firms, particularly focused on operations and emerging educational and business strategies, Ms. Neal was hand-picked to lead the Indaba Global Education Solutions team. She holds a bachelor's degree with honors in Computer Science Engineering from Binghamton University's Watson School of Engineering, graduated with highest honors from the University of Maryland University College with a master's degree in Business Administration (MBA) and is currently pursuing her Doctorate in Business at Georgia State University.