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He is the proud product of public education and dedicated to the proposition that all children deserve the opportunity provided by a quality education. Hood holds a Master's in Public Administration and Bachelor's in Political Science from Texas A&M University, but the most valuable education he received was teaching third grade and K-5 English as a second language in Memphis, Tennessee. He and his wife enjoy traveling, the outdoors, and volunteering in their church and community.