

**Claudia Mesnil-Harris, United Women of Color Board Chair and CCJR committee lead**

1. I am co-owner of Sweet Home TV & Home Theater LLC & I am an elementary Spanish teacher in Madison City Schools.
2. My goals include:
  - Helping Huntsville city become a place centered in equity
  - Helping my friends and family members become more civically engaged, and politically aware
  - Increasing civic engagement in Madison County
  - Educating young minds through teaching foreign language & cultural awareness.
  - I would like to enroll and graduate from law school to become licensed to practice law to help Spanish speaking families in Madison County.
3. Some of my achievements include:
  - In 2014 I attended the AAUW NCCWSL conference in Washington D.C representing the University of Alabama in Huntsville. I graduated from the University of Alabama in Huntsville in 2015 with a summa cum laude bachelor's in arts in Education and language and culture.
  - I founded the chapter of National Junior Honor Society at Endeavor Elementary School in 2016. I presented at the 2016 NERA conference in D.C on "How faith based organizations can help bridge the racial education gap."
  - I obtained my master's from the Pontifical University of Salamanca in 2018 in Spanish for speakers of other languages. I am currently the AEA & NEA representative for my home school in Madison City Schools. My teaching certificates include: all subjects K-6, Spanish K-12, and English for Speakers of other Languages K-12.
  - I am an alumnus of the 1st cohort of Women's Policy Institute from The Women's Fund of Birmingham. I currently hold a district 6 committee seat in Madison Co. Democratic Executive Committee, and I am a member of the Hispanic, and minority caucuses.
4. One quirky fact about me: Because I grew up in Puerto Rico I love the beach, I love to be in the ocean, and love to watch nature shows about ocean creatures. I love to travel; I have been to Dominican Republic, Saint Thomas, Peru, Bolivia, and Spain.

