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An Interview with Dr. Gayle Saunders

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Biographical Information Overview of Interview: Dr. Gayle Saunders was born in Harvard, Illinois in 1953. She graduated from Harvard High School and earned a BS from Illinois State University in Elementary Education. She later would earn a MA in Education from Eastern Illinois University in Guidance Counseling and a Doctorate from Northern Illinois University in 2000. She has worked at Bradley University in student activities, Eastern Illinois University in student housing, Kansas Illinois School District as a guidance counselor, Elgin Community College in student activities, Lincoln Trails College as Dean, and in 2001 became President of Richland Community College. As President of Richland Community College, Dr. Saunders has been involved in building construction project, a bond referendum, and in new programs involving Energy Renewal and Carbon Capture.

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