Biography Waukecha Wilkerson

Waukecha Wilkerson is a single parent of three amazing kids and a recent graduate of Sacramento State University, where she earned her BA in Psychology. As a disabled and neurodivergent advocate, she is deeply committed to promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion. Waukecha holds a certificate in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion from Cornell University and is also an ICF-certified life coach.

Waukecha dedicates her time and expertise to several impactful roles, including serving as the Board Chair for Project Self-Sufficiency, acting as a Parent Advisor for Ascend at the Aspen Institute, and serving as a Professional Expert for Coastline Community College. In these capacities, she provides coaching, consulting, and advocacy on behalf of student parents, both locally and nationally.

Beyond her professional and advocacy work, Waukecha is passionate about investing in her peers and community. She guides and encourages others along their journey of self-empowerment and self-determination through her consulting company, Won’t She Do It LLC. Waukecha is committed to providing workshops, informational resources, and unwavering support to foster growth and empowerment.

And here is one with some additional details from 2021:

She graduated from Coastline Community College in the Spring of 2020 with two associate degrees in psychology and social and behavioral science. She is a current student at Sacramento State University, pursuing a B.A. degree in psychology.

Waukecha fulfills her passion for serving others through her life coaching business, Won’t She Do It. As a life coach, she encourages others to identify their goals, creates paths towards achieving their goals, and lays out actionable steps to take towards
creating their best life. Waukecha also works full-time as a Customer Supervisor for Dermalogica, a leading national skincare brand.

Waukecha views being a single mother as motivation to reach her goals. She was the recipient of several scholarships in 2019 including the Soroptimist Live Your Dream Award. She is inspired by her mentors and organizations, such as Project Self Sufficiency that have been instrumental in providing a “Hand-up” for her and her family during a period when time and resources were scarce.

When she’s not working or studying, you can find Waukecha encouraging other student parents along their journey to economic independence through higher education. Waukecha is committed to being an example for her children and community by demonstrating that challenges are just victories that you have not won yet.

"Student parents are very tenacious. We're resourceful. We are persistent... I think we have our children watching us for an example, so we have that to live up to."

- WAUKECHA WILKERSON