



20 QUESTIONS

ACS Team

Celebrating 20 Years of ACS

ACS is 20 years old! We're celebrating this milestone with a game of "20 Questions" with our amazing ACS team!

Lori McClung, CEO & Co-Founder

1 What's your philosophy for life?

Live life to the fullest and be nice: tomorrow is not promised.

2 Best book you've read lately?

The Lost Bookshop by Evie Woods.

3 Something you've done in your work that you're most proud of?

Starting and co-leading a kick ass consulting firm with amazing women who make the world a better place every day.

4 Favorite watering hole?

Arlin's in Cincinnati.

5 One public policy you'd change?

Public Education should be free (as in NO fees, everyone gets what they need at no additional cost and it is all of the highest of quality because there is real public money) and educators should make more than professional athletes. And (TIED FOR FIRST) everyone should be presumed eligible to vote and election day is turned into election week! We need more participation with fewer barriers.

6 What made you choose your career path?

My parents who told me if I didn't like something then I should go do something about it.

7 A favorite mentor?

Lisa Warren—former editor at The Cincinnati Post.

8 Rock, rap, or country?

Old School Rap.

9 Dogs vs. cats: who rules and who drools?

Dogs, Obvi.

10 Favorite thing about working with ACS?

Learning every day from our clients/partners and from the staff. I am always kept on my toes by both!



11 A skill that might surprise us?

Hula Hooping.

12 Biggest “win” or “lesson learned” of your career so far?

Be willing to go big and ask for what is needed but be prepared to compromise....meeting others in the middle is not always a bad thing.

13 Favorite vacation spot?

Aruba.

14 Ideal weekend activities?

Walking my dog, riding my bike or doing yoga, hanging with family and friends on a deck or patio, listening and dancing (and singing) to music.

15 Pet peeve?

People who don't do what they say they were going to do.

16 Advice for rising leaders in your field?

Your own negative self-talk is likely way worse than you deserve; Treat yourself and talk to yourself like you would treat a good friend. Careers are not always made along a straight path; learn what you can from each twist and turn and keep applying it to your next gig. It will all be OK.

17 If you could magically become an expert in anything, what would it be?

Speaking many languages.

18 Favorite holiday?

Labor Day.

19 Country you'd live in if not this one?

Aruba.

20 Most recent thing that made you smile?

Going to see live music with my niece.