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EDUCATION

Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership

The Sage Colleges, Albany, New York

Dissertation title: Development of the Leadership Capacity of School Librarians in New York State

Chair: Dr. Jerome Steele

School Building Leader/School District Leader

The College of Saint Rose, Albany, New York

Master of Library Science

Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, Major in Special & Elementary Education

Nazareth College of Rochester, Rochester, New York

CERTIFICATION

New York State Department of Education-Certification

School Building Leader/School District Leader Certificate

School Library Media Specialist

Special Education, K-12

Elementary Education, Pre-K-6

Public Librarian's Professional Certificate

EXPERIENCE

Capital Region BOCES-Albany, NY

May 2017-Present

School Library System & Arts Coordinator

- Provide leadership to 151 school library programs within 24 school districts
- Incorporate systems thinking to align programs to the organization's larger goals
- Lead staff in providing high quality service for the School Library System, Library Automation, Instructional Media, Arts in Education, Exploratory Enrichment, and Visiting Experts programs
- Collaborate with statewide library systems including school, public and academic systems
- Develop curriculum and professional development for a pilot robotics program with DEKA and Global Foundries
- Develop a mentor program for new librarians, bridging the gap between theory and practice
- Partner with Excelsior College to receive grant funding for cybersecurity professional development
- Coordinate regional spelling bee in partnership with the Times Union, Upper Hudson Library System, and the Sage Colleges

Questar III-Castleton-on-Hudson, NY

January 2014-May 2017

School Library System & Arts in Education Director

- Provided leadership to 78 school library programs within 23 school districts
- Coordinated engaging learning experiences for students in 15 school districts through the Arts in Education, Exploratory Enrichment, and Odyssey of the Mind programs
- Managed staff and CoSer regulations for the School Library System, Library Automation, Itinerant Librarian, Instructional Multimedia, Arts in Education, Exploratory Enrichment, and Odyssey of the Mind services
- Coordinated professional development and training opportunities with local, state, and national experts

- Supported innovation through pilot programs and grants
- Organized creative thinking opportunities for students as the Odyssey of the Mind Regional Director

Capital Region BOCES-Albany, NY

November 2012-January 2014

Library Automation & Media Coordinator

- Coordinated and implemented policy for library automation system, online resources, and eBooks
- Supervised Library Automation team to provide outstanding service to districts
- Maintained website to provide clear communication about resources and programs to component districts
- Personalized professional learning opportunities for a large range of audiences among 24 school districts
- Coordinated library automation conversion for 52 schools ensuring successful migration of data
- Trained district librarians and staff on all aspects of a new library automation system
- Oversaw interlibrary loan through library automation system, including implementation of policies and procedures

Monroe 1 BOCES-Fairport, NY

July 2011-August 2012

School Library System, Media Services, & Arts in Education Coordinator

- Provided leadership to 90 school library programs within 10 districts
- Managed staff and CoSer regulations for the School Library System, Library Automation, Multimedia and Video Production, Arts in Education, and Exploratory Enrichment services
- Developed approved 5 Year Plan of Service with School Library System Council and Communications Coordinators
- Coordinated continuous learning opportunities with local, state, national, and international library experts
- Oversaw Safari Montage and Follett Destiny upgrades offering improved media and library services to districts
- Provided grant opportunities to school librarians in component districts and non-public schools
- Worked closely with component district administrators to provide exceptional service

Fairport Central School District-Fairport, New York

September 1998-June 2011

Martha Brown Middle School

School Librarian

- Coordinated a vibrant learning facility supervising staff, budget, collection development, and public relations
- Provided an inviting educational environment for students, faculty, and staff
- Collaborated with teachers to develop lessons that integrated library and information skills into content areas
- Instructed students in using critical thinking skills to become effective users of information
- Mentored librarians within the district and students in Master of Library Science programs from three universities
- Led curriculum writing initiatives for the library department
- Obtained additional funds for innovative programs through grant writing

Penfield Public Library-Penfield, New York

January 2007-December 2009

Librarian

- Delivered an engaging preschool story hour weekly
- Supervised teen volunteers as they assisted with the children's summer reading game
- Provided reference assistance to patrons

Rochester Regional Library Council-Fairport, New York

January 2006-April 2011

Professional Development Trainer

- Provided professional development for school, public, and academic librarians: AASL Standards for the 21st Century Learner, Assessment, Building a Culture of Reading, Collaboration, Common Core State Standards, Facilitating Book Clubs, and Greater Rochester Teen Book Festival

GRANTS

GenCyber, “Advancing Cybersecurity in New York’s Tech Valley” in collaboration with Excelsior College and Questar III, \$98,623, 2018

Library of Congress, “Using Primary Sources to Enhance Student Engagement: Aligning practice to the new New York State Social Studies Framework using Library of Congress Sources”, \$20,000, 2017-2018

Monroe 1 BOCES, Mini-grant to attend AASL National Conference, \$1,500, 2011

Fairport Central School District, Mini-grant to enhance the audiobook collection, \$1,500, 2009

PUBLICATIONS

Digiknow? eBook and Audiobook Answers Column

School Library Connection, November/December 2017, January/February 2018, March/April 2018, May/June 2018

PRESENTATIONS

“Part 2: Librarians as Leaders: Changing Beliefs through Teacher Leadership”

To be delivered at New York Library Association’s Annual Conference, Rochester, NY, November 2018

“Research in Practice: Using Data to Drive Your Library Management”

To be delivered at New York Library Association’s Annual Conference, Rochester, NY, November 2018

“The Perfect Equation for Summer Reading Success: School + Public Libraries”

School Library Connection Webinar, May 2018

“Empowering Conversations about Race and Culture with Diverse Books & Technology”

New York Library Association’s Section of School Librarians’ Conference, Long Island, NY, May 2018

“Be a Dynamic School Leader”

Texas Library Association’s Annual Conference, Dallas, TX, April 2018

“Librarians as Leaders: Changing Beliefs through Teacher Leadership”

New York Library Association’s Annual Conference, Saratoga Springs, NY, November 2017

“Creating the Future: Looking Beyond the 2020 Vision for Library Services in New York State”

New York Library Association’s Annual Conference, Saratoga Springs, NY, November 2017

“Professional Development as a Means to Change Beliefs”

The Sage Colleges Esteves School of Education Colloquium, Albany, NY, November 2017

“Teaching with Primary Source Documents”

Questar III, Castleton-on-Hudson, NY 12033, August 2017

“Ozobots: Pre-Coding Skills – The Little Superheroes”

New York State Council for Computers and Technology, Rochester, NY, November 2016

“Student Success through the Information Fluency Continuum”

New York State for the Social Studies Annual Convention, Syracuse, NY, March 2015

“LibGuides for School Librarians”

Rochester Regional Library Council’s Tech Camp for School Librarians, July 2015

“Regents Advisory Council on Libraries: Vision 2020 Smackdown”

New York Library Association’s Annual Conference, Saratoga Springs, NY, November 2014

“The Print Revolution: School Libraries in the Digital Age”

Superintendents’ Success Network, Castleton, NY, October 2014

“Prepared for Digital? Successfully Integrating E-books from Your Library to the Classroom”

Booklist webinar, September 2014

AWARDS

School Library Systems’ Associations’ Distinguished Service Award	2018
Anthony Clement Memorial Award for Acceptance, Collaboration, and Community Building	2017
Crystal Apple (Teacher of the Year)	2008

CAREER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

New York Library Association’s Sustainability Initiative Benchmark Writer	2018-Present
Staff/Curriculum Development Network Member	2017-Present
Urban Schools Conference, Planning Committee Member	2017-Present
School Library Systems’ Association Executive Board Member; Vice President for Advocacy	2016-Present
School Library Systems’ Association Executive Board Member; Secretary	2014-2016
School Library Systems’ Association Committee Member; Nominations, Online Resources	2014-2017
Innovative Librarians Explore, Apply, and Discover (ILEAD USA) Participant	2015-2016
New York Library Association’s Leadership and Management Section Board Member	2015-Present
New York Library Association’s Section of School Librarians Board Member; SLSA Liaison	2014-Present
New York Library Association’s Committee Member; Communications, Legislative	2016-Present
New York Library Association’s Legislative Committee, Secretary	2017-Present
New York Alliance of Library Systems Member	2014-Present
Capital District Library Council Board of Trustee Member	2014-Present
New York State Council of Educational Associations; SLSA Representative	2014-2017
National Advisory Committees: OverDrive, Camp Broadway, MakerBot	2011-2015
Fairport Educators Association Secretary and Representative Assembly Delegate	2008-2011
Greater Rochester Teen Book Festival (Founding Member)	2006-2012
Accepting the Leadership Challenge: Library Leadership Institute Participant	2002
Monroe #1 BOCES School Library System Council (Past Chair)	1999-2011
District Committees: Curriculum Council, Style Sheet, Technology, Wall of Distinction	1998-2011
Building Committees: Budget, Crisis, Facilities, Lead Teacher, Literacy, Sunshine	1998-2011
Fairport Library Council (Past President)	1998-2011

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Library Association
American Association of School Librarians
Eastern New York School Library Media Association
Museum Association of New York
New York Alliance of Library Systems
New York Library Association (NYLA)
NYLA's Leadership and Management Section
NYLA's Section of School Librarians
New York State Arts in Education Network

New York State Art Teachers Alliance
New York State Council for the Social Studies
New York State Educational Media Technology
Association
School Library Systems' Association of New York
State
Texas Library Association
Texas Association of School Librarians