

JUDITH BLOCK



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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

"Judith, the dedication, energy and positive leadership you have shown during your 10-year tenure as Principal is something the school system hopes to find in all educators. Unfortunately, this doesn't happen – you are the exception. You are an inspiration to the staff, community and students. I commend and appreciate your outstanding contribution to ABC Middle School."

Allen Reed, Superintendent, South Eastern School District

Enthusiastic administrator who advocates for implementing student and faculty continuous improvement programs focused on raising academic levels of students, improving educators' teaching skills, and encouraging community involvement. Proactive leader and team player with proven track record of collaborating with innovative professionals to raise the level of instructional practices and student achievement. Talent for developing and implementing new academic programs, which assist at-risk learners and challenge those who perform above grade level. Track record for initiating fundraising activities, writing and receiving grants, reducing unnecessary costs, and managing a large budget. Student-focused leader who forges strong relationships with all members of the school community.

CORE COMPETENCIES

- Education Administration
- Classroom Evaluation Methods
- Curriculum Planning & Improvements
- Teacher Mentoring & Development
- Academic Progress Tracking
- Student Discipline & Safety
- Technology Enhancements
- Grant Proposal Writing

EDUCATION

Advanced Graduate Study in Educational Administration
Vermillion, SD

Master of Science in Educational Leadership
Phoenix University, Phoenix, AZ

Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education
Queen's College, Flushing, NY

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

SOUTH EASTERN SCHOOL DISTRICT – LAKE ERIE, OH

2007 – Present

Principal – ABC Middle School

Plan, control and direct the overall activities of a middle school with 500 students and 33 faculty members. Oversee staff recruitment, development and evaluation, fiscal management, record and administration organization, student discipline, program initiatives, team-building, professional development coordination, shared decision making, and advisory council coordination. Uphold a safe, respectful and fair learning environment.

Education Leadership Contributions:

- Increased student attendance by 10% by restoring positive student-faculty relationships.
- Reduced student discipline rate by 8% by implementing new behavior intervention program.

- Increased number of students reading at grade level by 20% by implementing a “home reading” program.
- Authored and published a book entitled: “Open Parent, Staff and Student Relationships Equal Results”.
- Coordinated curriculum mapping for all core content areas to boost the quality of education.
- Formed major private retail partnerships and enlisted parent volunteers to implement the first “breakfast program” in the State of Ohio, which increased students’ learning and focus.
- Created and led textbook review committee, reviewing, selecting and purchasing modern learning resources.
- Secured funding to implement new speech program, which dramatically improved students’ ability to communicate.
- Created a tutoring program to provide students with peer resources.
- Applied for and received \$150,000 library renovation grant.
- Introduced a 1:1 Chromebook initiative to broaden curriculum objectives and develop students’ 21st century skills.

NORTH EASTERN SCHOOL DISTRICT – LAKE ERIE, OH

2003 – 2007

Elementary & Middle School Teacher (K-8)

Designed and implemented comprehensive and creative lesson plans for elementary and middle school aged children. Provided instruction in all core content areas, emphasizing cooperative learning methods and critical thinking skills. Upheld positive classroom management plans. Conducted ongoing informal and formal assessments and utilized running records to track student progress. Fostered positive relationships with parents, colleagues, and administrators.

Teaching Contributions:

- Appointed by Principal as “Mentor Teacher” to assist new teachers.
- Designed “Read and Listen to Help Program” which increased academic achievement and confidence in struggling readers.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Member – Rotary Club of Somewhere, OH, 1 Year

Treasurer – MS Society, Somewhere, OH, 2 Years

Tutor, English as a Second Language – Somewhere, OH, 10 Years

P.A.L., Reading to Children – Somewhere, OH, 4 Years

Lunch Committee – Men’s Shelter, Somewhere, OH, 2 Years

Elderly Assistant – Somewhere, OH, 1 Year

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The G Suite for Education

Blended Learning

Differentiated Instruction

Professional Learning Communities

Growth Mindset

STEAM Education

Innovative Learning Environments

TECHNOLOGY SKILLS

MS Office Suite (Word, Excel, Access, Outlook, PowerPoint) ~ Windows OS ~ Macintosh OS ~ Social Media Applications ~ Internet ~ Typing Skills ~ SMART Boards ~ Discovery Education Online