ASCD created the Emerging Leaders program to develop a group of dedicated educators who are ascending in their careers and who seek ways to contribute to ASCD’s mission. Emerging leaders are a young and diverse group—selected annually through an application process—that is eager to serve as a leadership stream for ASCD, its constituent groups, and the ASCD community as a whole.

**THIS LEADERSHIP PROGRAM EQUIPS NEW LEADERS TO**

- Advance ASCD positions.
- Strengthen ASCD’s voice for influencing policy and practice.
- Become involved in ASCD governance.

**EMERGING LEADERS ARE EDUCATORS WHO**

- Have been in the profession approximately 5 to 15 years.
- Demonstrate a passion for teaching, learning, and leading.
- Have not previously been involved with ASCD in a leadership capacity.
- Collectively exhibit a broad range of diversity in position, location, cultural background, and perspective.
- Hold promise as leaders.
- Are committed to ASCD’s beliefs and to pursuing leadership opportunities.

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Areas of Expertise
» Media/Broadcasting/Video/Audio
» Education-Technology Integration
» Mobile Learning (BYOD, 1:1, etc.)
» Professional Development
» Teacher Leadership

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Writing for ASCD
» Whole Child
» Programs and Leadership

Opportunities of Interest
» Starting an ASCD Professional Interest Community
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Publishing a book with ASCD
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
» 2012 Annual Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Ross Romano, ASCD’s publicist, is a fantastic ASCD resource. He is wonderful to work with.
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» Advocacy/Public Policy
» Instructional Coaching and Mentoring
» Maker Movement
» Professional Development
» Teacher Leadership

Areas of Interest
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Professional Development
» Whole Child
» Policy
» Writing for ASCD

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Reading and evaluating manuscripts for ASCD books
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Piloting/evaluating new products
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Participating in social media engagement for #EdAdvBecause
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
Areas of Expertise
» Education-Technology Integration
» Mobile Learning (BYOD, 1:1, etc.)
» Professional Development

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Policy
» Programs and Leadership
» Writing for ASCD
» Whole Child

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Publishing a book with ASCD
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
» 2015 Annual Conference
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» Education-Technology Integration
» STEM
» Teacher Leadership
» Teacher Evaluation and Feedback

Areas of Interest
» Writing for ASCD
» Policy
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Professional Development
» Programs and Leadership

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Publishing a book with ASCD
» Facilitating for assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Writing for ASCD on policy and advocacy topics
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium
SARAH COUTURE

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2007

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» Classroom Management
» Culturally Responsive Teaching
» Growth Mindset
» Mentoring
» Teacher Leadership

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Writing for ASCD
» Programs and Leadership
» Whole Child
» Social Media and Online Collaboration

Opportunities of Interest
» Starting an ASCD Professional Interest Community
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing for ASCD’s Education Update newsletter
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in ASCD grassroots advocacy campaigns
» Participating in the ASCD Forum
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
» Implementing the School Improvement Tool
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium
Areas of Expertise
» Curriculum Design
» Instructional Coaching and Mentoring
» Mentoring
» Principal Leadership
» Professional Development

Areas of Interest
» Programs and Leadership
» Writing for ASCD
» Professional Development
» Policy
» Whole Child

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing for ASCD’s Education Update newsletter
» Publishing a book with ASCD
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2013 Annual Conference
ASHLEY DANN

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Professional Learning Developer

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Alexandria City Public Schools

**Began Career In**
2006

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**Areas of Expertise**
- Instructional Coaching and Mentoring
- Instructional Strategies
- Professional Development
- Teacher Leadership
- Teacher Evaluation and Feedback

**Areas of Interest**
- Professional Development
- Policy
- Writing for ASCD
- Social Media and Online Collaboration
- Programs and Leadership

**Opportunities of Interest**
- Becoming an ASCD board member
- Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
- Speaking to education news writers and press
- Writing for ASCD’s *Educational Leadership* magazine
- Writing for ASCD’s *Education Update* newsletter
- Writing for *ASCD Express*
- Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
- Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
- Getting involved in local and national level education policy
- Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
- Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
- Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
- Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

**ASCD Conferences and Events Attended**
- 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

**Favorite ASCD Resource**
- *Educational Leadership* magazine and ASCD books in general
Title
Teacher

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Lakeland Central School District

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Areas of Expertise
» Blended Learning
» Education-Technology Integration
» Growth Mindset
» Professional Development
» Teacher Leadership

Areas of Interest
» Writing for ASCD
» Policy
» Programs and Leadership
» Whole Child
» Social Media and Online Collaboration

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Publishing a book with ASCD
» Reading and evaluating manuscripts for ASCD books
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Writing for ASCD on policy and advocacy topics
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» People within the organization are the most valuable resource. It is exciting to be involved with so many inspirational educators.
Areas of Expertise
» Blended Learning
» Curriculum Design
» Education-Technology Integration
» Instructional Coaching and Mentoring
» Professional Development

Areas of Interest
» Programs and Leadership
» Professional Development
» Writing for ASCD
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Policy

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Publishing a book with ASCD
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Writing for ASCD on policy and advocacy topics
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
» Implementing the School Improvement Tool
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
» NCASCD conferences

Favorite ASCD Resource
» I love the ASCD EDge blogs because they give access to anyone to blog and advocate for noble causes through the lens of ASCD. I also love ASCD SmartBrief.
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Principal

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Began Career In
2004

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Areas of Expertise
» Advocacy/Public Policy
» Poverty
» Response to Intervention (RTI)
» School Climate and Culture
» Teaching Strategies

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Policy
» Writing for ASCD
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Whole Child

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Reading and evaluating manuscripts for ASCD books
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Writing for ASCD on policy and advocacy topics
» Participating in social media engagement for #EdAdvBecause
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
» Implementing the School Improvement Tool

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Books and Educational Leadership magazine
Areas of Expertise
» School Climate and Culture
» Teacher Evaluation and Feedback

Areas of Interest
» Programs and Leadership
» Whole Child
» Professional Development
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Writing for ASCD

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Starting an ASCD Student Chapter
» Becoming involved with a current ASCD Student Chapter
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing for ASCD’s Education Update newsletter
» Publishing a book with ASCD
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Implementing the School Improvement Tool
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Educational Leadership—I look forward to receiving each issue! The topics are relevant, and the articles are a great way to promote PD.
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Principal

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Areas of Expertise
» Advocacy/Public Policy
» Diversity and Inclusion
» Principal Leadership
» School Climate and Culture
» Whole Child

Areas of Interest
» Writing for ASCD
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Policy
» Programs and Leadership
» Professional Development

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing for ASCD’s Education Update newsletter
» Writing for ASCD Express
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Volunteering at ASCD conferences and events
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
» Washington ASCD conferences and local workshops

Favorite ASCD Resource
» The ASCD website
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Vice Principal

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Areas of Expertise
» Education-Technology Integration
» Professional Development
» Project-Based Learning
» Whole Child

Areas of Interest
» Whole Child
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Writing for ASCD
» Professional Development
» Policy

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
» Implementing the School Improvement Tool

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
» 2013 Annual Conference
» Iowa ASCD conferences
Areas of Expertise
» Blended Learning
» Data Management
» Education-Technology Integration
» Professional Development
» Teacher Evaluation and Feedback

Areas of Interest
» Programs and Leadership
» Writing for ASCD
» Professional Development
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Policy

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Participating in the ASCD Forum
» Participating in social media engagement for #EdAdvBecause

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» ASCD SmartBrief and books
Areas of Expertise
» Curriculum Design
» Instructional Coaching and Mentoring
» Instructional Strategies
» Teaching Strategies

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Programs and Leadership
» Writing for ASCD
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Whole Child

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Reading and evaluating manuscripts for ASCD books
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
» 2015 Conference on Teaching Excellence
» 2013–15 Annual Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» I love Educational Leadership magazine. It is something that I can read quickly, but it still provides insight and research on relevant topics.
ADAM HOLMAN

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Austin Independent School District

Began Career In
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Areas of Expertise
» Culturally Responsive Teaching
» Mentoring
» Professional Development
» School Climate and Culture
» Teacher Leadership

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Programs and Leadership
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Whole Child
» Policy

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Starting an ASCD Student Chapter
» Becoming involved with a current ASCD Student Chapter
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in social media engagement for #EdAdvBecause
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» The ASCD website has great resources and links throughout that apply to all levels of teachers and principals.
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Began Career In
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Areas of Expertise
» Principal Leadership
» School Climate and Culture
» Teacher Evaluation and Feedback
» Whole Child

Areas of Interest
» Whole Child
» Writing for ASCD
» Professional Development
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Policy

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD Express
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Reading and evaluating manuscripts for ASCD books
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Piloting/evaluating new products
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Educational Leadership magazine. It provides great articles centered around a theme, but it also directs you to all the other great resources that ASCD offers.
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Areas of Expertise
» Blended Learning
» Curriculum Design
» Growth Mindset
» Project-Based Learning
» Teacher Leadership

Areas of Interest
» Programs and Leadership
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Writing for ASCD
» Professional Development
» Policy

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Starting an ASCD Student Chapter
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing for ASCD’s Education Update newsletter
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in social media engagement for #EdAdvBecause
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
Areas of Expertise
» Advocacy/Public Policy
» Curriculum Design
» School Climate and Culture
» Teacher Leadership
» Whole Child

Areas of Interest
» Writing for ASCD
» Whole Child
» Policy
» Programs and Leadership
» Professional Development

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Publishing a book with ASCD
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Writing for ASCD on policy and advocacy topics
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Educational Leadership has helped me write many graduate papers!
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Areas of Expertise
» Curriculum Design
» Instructional Coaching and Mentoring
» Professional Development
» Response to Intervention (RTI)
» Teacher Leadership

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Writing for ASCD
» Whole Child
» Programs and Leadership
» Social Media and Online Collaboration

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Education Update newsletter
» Writing for ASCD Express
» Reading and evaluating manuscripts for ASCD books
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in the ASCD Forum
» Implementing the School Improvement Tool
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Educational Leadership magazine
RACHEL LAWRENCE

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Areas of Expertise
» Advocacy/Public Policy
» Blended Learning
» Mentoring
» Problem-Based Learning
» Professional Development

Areas of Interest
» Policy
» Writing for ASCD
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Programs and Leadership
» Whole Child

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing for ASCD’s Education Update newsletter
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Piloting/evaluating new products
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Writing for ASCD on policy and advocacy topics
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
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Principal

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Asheboro City Schools

Began Career In
2000

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Areas of Expertise
» Parental Involvement
» Growth Mindset
» Culturally Responsive Teaching
» English Language Learning and Bilingual Education
» Instructional Coaching and Mentoring
» School Climate and Culture

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Programs and Leadership
» Writing for ASCD
» Whole Child
» Policy

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD Express
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Reading and evaluating manuscripts for ASCD books
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Participating in the ASCD Forum
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
» 2013 and 2015 Annual Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Educational Leadership magazine because the articles provide good PD. I can share them with my teachers during inservice and PLC discussions.
Areas of Expertise
» Education-Technology Integration
» Flipped Learning
» Growth Mindset
» Motivation
» Whole Child

Areas of Interest
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Whole Child
» Writing for ASCD
» Professional Development
» Policy

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing for ASCD Express
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Educational Leadership magazine and Inservice
MATTHEW McCREA

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Prince George's County Public Schools

Began Career In
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Areas of Expertise
» Data Management
» Instructional Coaching and Mentoring
» Principal Leadership
» School Climate and Culture
» Teacher Evaluation and Feedback

Areas of Interest
» Writing for ASCD
» Professional Development
» Programs and Leadership
» Policy
» Social Media and Online Collaboration

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing for ASCD’s Education Update newsletter
» Publishing a book with ASCD
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Writing for ASCD on policy and advocacy topics
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast
» Implementing the School Improvement Tool

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2014 Annual Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Educational Leadership
RENEE MEEMS

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Principal

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Shelby County Schools

Began Career In
1998

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Areas of Expertise
» Diversity and Inclusion
» Growth Mindset
» School Climate and Culture
» Teacher Leadership
» Whole Child

Areas of Interest
» Whole Child
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Programs and Leadership
» Professional Development
» Writing for ASCD

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing for ASCD’s Education Update newsletter
» Writing for ASCD Express
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
» 2014 Annual Conference
BRENDA MENDOZA

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K–12 ELL Specialist

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Began Career In
2007

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Elementary school

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Areas of Expertise
» Biliteracy
» Academic Vocabulary
» Culturally Responsive Teaching
» English Language Learning
» Poverty
» Whole Child

Areas of Interest
» Programs and Leadership
» Writing for ASCD
» Whole Child
» Professional Development
» Social Media and Online Collaboration

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Starting an ASCD Student Chapter
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Publishing a book with ASCD
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Participating in the ASCD Forum
» Participating in social media engagement for #EdAdvBecause
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
» IL ASCD conferences and professional development

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Educational Leadership—this ASCD publication has innovations in education.
DAWN MITCHELL

Title
Instructional Services

Employer
Spartanburg School District Six

Began Career In
2000

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Public (preK–12)

Type of Community Served
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Areas of Expertise
» Curriculum Design
» Instructional Strategies
» Mentoring
» Project-Based Learning
» Teaching Strategies

Areas of Interest
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Writing for ASCD
» Professional Development
» Whole Child
» Programs and Leadership

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Writing for ASCD on policy and advocacy topics
» Participating in social media engagement for #EdAdvBecause
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» South Carolina ASCD conferences and unconferences

Favorite ASCD Resource
» ASCD EDge blogs—they are practical, free to access, and relevant.
AMY MOUNT

Title
PreK–12 Social Studies Coordinator

Employer
Garland Independent School District

Began Career In
2005

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Areas of Expertise
» Curriculum Design
» Instructional Strategies
» Professional Development
» Teaching Strategies
» Understanding by Design

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Writing for ASCD
» Policy
» Programs and Leadership
» Whole Child

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Writing for ASCD’s Education Update newsletter
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in ASCD grassroots advocacy campaigns
» Participating in social media engagement for #EdAdvBecause
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
**JENNIFER MULLENAX**

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**Areas of Expertise**
- Principal Leadership
- Professional Development
- School Climate and Culture
- Teacher Leadership
- Teacher Evaluation and Feedback

**Areas of Interest**
- Professional Development
- Social Media and Online Collaboration
- Writing for ASCD
- Programs and Leadership
- Policy

**Opportunities of Interest**
- Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
- Starting an ASCD Professional Interest Community
- Speaking to education news writers and press
- Writing for ASCD’s *Educational Leadership* magazine
- Writing for ASCD’s *Education Update* newsletter
- Publishing a book with ASCD
- Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
- Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
- Participating in ASCD grassroots advocacy campaigns
- Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
- Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
- Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
- Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

**ASCD Conferences and Events Attended**
- 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

**Favorite ASCD Resource**
- *Educational Leadership*—I frequently use the articles for PD.
KELLY MURPHY

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Instructional Coach

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Renton School District

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Areas of Expertise
» Culturally Responsive Teaching
» Curriculum Design
» Instructional Coaching and Mentoring
» Professional Development
» Project-Based Learning

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Programs and Leadership
» Whole Child
» Writing for ASCD
» Policy

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Becoming involved with a current ASCD Student Chapter
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Reading and evaluating manuscripts for ASCD books
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in ASCD grassroots advocacy campaigns
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
» 2013 Annual Conference
MELISSA MURPHY

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Areas of Expertise
» Assessment
» Differentiated Instruction
» Education-Technology Integration
» Professional Development
» Teacher Leadership

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Writing for ASCD
» Programs and Leadership
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Whole Child

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing for ASCD’s Education Update newsletter
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» ASCD newsletters
AMANDA PALMER

Title
Secondary Language Arts Coordinator

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Katy Independent School District

Began Career In
2002

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Areas of Expertise
» Curriculum Design
» Growth Mindset
» Literacy
» Motivation
» Professional Development

Areas of Interest
» Writing for ASCD
» Professional Development
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Programs and Leadership
» Policy

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Publishing a book with ASCD
» Reading and evaluating manuscripts for ASCD books
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
» 2015 Annual Conference
» 2013 Texas ASCD Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Educational Leadership magazine is by far my favorite resource. It is always timely and well written and sparks great conversation. My second favorite resource is ASCD’s many fantastic Twitter chats and hashtags.
ROBERT PENNINGTON

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Teacher/Tech Coach

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Began Career In
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Areas of Expertise
» Differentiated Instruction
» Education-Technology Integration
» Flipped Learning
» Professional Development
» Teacher Leadership

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Programs and Leadership
» Writing for ASCD
» Policy

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Educational Leadership magazine
LINDSAY PORTNOY

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Assistant Professor, Educational Psychology

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Hunter College, CUNY

Began Career In
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Areas of Expertise
» Psychology of Learning
» Assessment
» Brain and Learning
» Experiential Education
» Teaching Strategies

Areas of Interest
» Policy
» Writing for ASCD
» Professional Development
» Whole Child
» Programs and Leadership

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Starting an ASCD Professional Interest Community
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD Express
» Publishing a book with ASCD
» Reading and evaluating manuscripts for ASCD books
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Piloting/evaluating new products
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium
Areas of Expertise
» Curriculum Design
» Education-Technology Integration
» Instructional Coaching and Mentoring
» Maker Movement
» Project-Based Learning

Areas of Interest
» Policy
» Whole Child
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Professional Development
» Writing for ASCD

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing for ASCD Express
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Participating in social media engagement for #EdAdvBecause
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» The social media channels through which I connect with other ASCD members and receive all the best that other ASCD resources have to offer.
Title
Teacher

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Began Career In
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Areas of Expertise
» Curriculum Design
» Differentiated Instruction
» Instructional Strategies
» Professional Development
» Understanding by Design

Areas of Interest
» Writing for ASCD
» Programs and Leadership
» Professional Development
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Whole Child

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Starting an ASCD Professional Interest Community
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD Express
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Volunteering at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
KIMBERLY RADOSTITS

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Spanish Teacher

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Began Career In
2007

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Areas of Expertise
» Diversity and Inclusion
» Mentoring
» Response to Intervention (RTI)
» Whole Child

Areas of Interest
» Programs and Leadership
» Whole Child
» Writing for ASCD
» Professional Development
» Policy

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Becoming involved with current ASCD Professional Interest Communities
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Piloting/evaluating new products
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
» 2013 Annual Conference
**JEREMY SHORR**  

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**Areas of Expertise**  
» Blended Learning  
» Curriculum Design  
» Maker Movement  
» Mobile Learning (BYOD, 1:1, etc.)  
» Professional Development

**Areas of Interest**  
» Programs and Leadership  
» Writing for ASCD  
» Policy  
» Professional Development  
» Social Media and Online Collaboration

**Opportunities of Interest**  
» Becoming an ASCD board member  
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community  
» Speaking to education news writers and press  
» Writing for ASCD’s *Educational Leadership* magazine  
» Writing for ASCD’s *Education Update* newsletter  
» Publishing a book with ASCD  
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities  
» Piloting/evaluating new products  
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy  
» Writing for ASCD on policy and advocacy topics  
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program  
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast  
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model

**Favorite ASCD Resource**  
» *Education Update* newsletter and *Educational Leadership* magazine. They have great articles and great pull quotes and are great to share with teachers and administrators.
Areas of Expertise
» Differentiated Instruction
» Literacy
» Mentoring
» Response to Intervention (RTI)
» Whole Child

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Programs and Leadership
» Writing for ASCD
» Whole Child
» Policy

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming an ASCD board member
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
» 2015 NC ASCD Conference
Areas of Expertise
» Culturally Responsive Teaching
» Diversity and Inclusion
» Principal Leadership
» Professional Development
» School Climate and Culture

Areas of Interest
» Programs and Leadership
» Writing for ASCD
» Professional Development
» Policy
» Whole Child

Opportunities of Interest
» Speaking to education news writers and press
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Reading and evaluating manuscripts for ASCD books
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» I enjoy reading the various books ASCD publishes.
KRISTIN TAYLOR

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Visual Art Educator

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Los Angeles Unified School District

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Areas of Expertise
» Classroom Management
» Curriculum Design
» Experiential Education
» Project-Based Learning
» Understanding by Design

Areas of Interest
» Professional Development
» Whole Child
» Policy
» Writing for ASCD
» Programs and Leadership

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Educational Leadership magazine—the articles are informative and very engaging.
AMBER TEAMANN

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Principal

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Began Career In
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Areas of Expertise
» Blended Learning
» Education-Technology Integration
» Mentoring
» School Climate and Culture
» Teacher Leadership

Areas of Interest
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Professional Development
» Programs and Leadership
» Writing for ASCD
» Whole Child

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
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» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Writing for ASCD on policy and advocacy topics
» Participating in social media engagement for #EdAdvBecause
» Participating in a Whole Child Podcast

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» Annual Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» I love ASCD books.
**MATT WACHEL**

**Title**  
Elementary Assistant Principal

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Park Hill School District

**Began Career In**  
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**Areas of Expertise**

- Classroom Management
- Data Management
- Education-Technology Integration
- Instructional Strategies
- Student Engagement and Motivation

**Areas of Interest**

- Writing for ASCD
- Whole Child
- Social Media and Online Collaboration
- Professional Development
- Policy

**Opportunities of Interest**

- Writing for ASCD’s *Education Update* newsletter
- Writing for *ASCD Express*
- Writing blog posts for *Inservice*
- Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
- Piloting/evaluating new products
- Getting involved in local and national level education policy
- Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
- Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
- Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

**ASCD Conferences and Events Attended**

- 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

**Favorite ASCD Resource**

- There are so many ASCD resources to choose from, but I do enjoy reading the book *Essential Questions* by Jay McTighe and Grant Wiggins.
ADAM WALLACH

**Title**
K–12 Coordinator of Social Studies

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Stafford County Public Schools

**Began Career In**
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**Areas of Expertise**
» Advocacy/Public Policy
» Blended Learning
» Curriculum Design
» Instructional Strategies
» Project-Based Learning

**Areas of Interest**
» Policy
» Programs and Leadership
» Whole Child
» Professional Development
» Writing for ASCD

**Opportunities of Interest**
» Becoming an ASCD board member
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» Participating in ASCD’s Leadership Institute for Legislative Advocacy (LILA)
» Participating in the ASCD Influence Leaders program
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model
» Participating in the Whole Child Symposium

**ASCD Conferences and Events Attended**
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference
Areas of Expertise
» Classroom Management
» Culturally Responsive Teaching
» Differentiated Instruction
» Poverty
» Teacher Leadership

Areas of Interest
» Writing for ASCD
» Social Media and Online Collaboration
» Programs and Leadership
» Whole Child
» Professional Development

Opportunities of Interest
» Starting an ASCD Student Chapter
» Writing for ASCD Express
» Writing blog posts for Inservice
» Creating and maintaining a blog on ASCD EDge
» Volunteering at ASCD conferences and events
» Piloting/evaluating new products
» Participating in social media engagement for #EdAdvBecause

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» *Educational Leadership* magazine, but I love all of ASCD’s resources.
Areas of Expertise
» Adolescent Leadership Development
» Advocacy/Public Policy
» Experiential Education
» Professional Development
» Project-Based Learning

Areas of Interest
» Programs and Leadership
» Policy
» Professional Development
» Whole Child
» Writing for ASCD

Opportunities of Interest
» Becoming more involved with a regional ASCD Affiliate or Connected Community
» Starting an ASCD Student Chapter
» Starting an ASCD Professional Interest Community
» Writing for ASCD’s Educational Leadership magazine
» Writing for ASCD’s Education Update newsletter
» Reading and evaluating manuscripts for ASCD books
» Facilitating or assisting with ASCD professional development opportunities
» Presenting at ASCD conferences and events
» Getting involved in local and national level education policy
» Writing for ASCD on policy and advocacy topics
» Supporting promotion of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model

ASCD Conferences and Events Attended
» 2015 Leader to Leader (L2L) Conference

Favorite ASCD Resource
» Educational Leadership magazine—because of the topical and rich nature of the articles. I also like the various books ASCD puts out.
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA............... Ashley Dann
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......................................... Jennifer Mullenax
MASSACHUSETTS........................... Dan Callahan
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......................................... Jusmar Maness
......................................... Brian Smith
OHIO.......................................... Mike Janatovich
......................................... Jeremy Shorr
OREGON....................................... Rachael George
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SOUTH CAROLINA......................... Dawn Mitchell
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