

# ***Anthony R. Abbate***

## **EDUCATION**

### **Michigan K-12 Administrator Certification**

Granted 5/13/11

### **University of Michigan, Dearborn, MI**

MPA, Public Sector Administration. Granted 12/23/09

8.33 GPA

### **Michigan Secondary Provisional Certificate, Granted 2/10/03**

### **University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI**

A.B.Ed., Secondary Education. Granted 12/20/02

Double major concentrations in History and Political Science

## **EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

### **Administrative Intern, 2010-2011 School Year**

Millennium Middle School, South Lyon, MI

- Monitored efforts to collect and analyze student data.
- Supervised/coordinated numerous school functions, including Activity Afternoons, athletic events, band/choir concerts, etc.
- Fostered community involvement by bringing in parent volunteers for Activity Afternoons, fundraisers, and concessions.
- Attended district Policy Committee sessions.
- Joined and made recommendations to the MMS Shared Involvement Process Committee.
- Developed and implemented an alternative testing method/procedure for special education students in core classes.
- Routinely handled student discipline issues as acting Assistant Principal.
- Consulted on and gained practical experience in teacher evaluation process.

### **Activities Director, 2008-Present**

Millennium Middle School, South Lyon, MI

- Coordinated MMS athletic and activities programs.
- Supervised events to ensure the safety of participants and guarantee that proper school procedures were followed.
- Served as school contact for the district's Athletic Director.

### **SLEA Vice President, Elected 2011**

### **SLEA Building Representative, Elected 2007-Present**

Millennium Middle School, South Lyon, MI

- Represented MMS teachers in union matters before the SLEA Executive Board.
- Acted as staff liaison to administration.

- Contributed to conflict resolution between staff members.
- Served on Contract Committee.

**'We the People' MI-11 Congressional District Coordinator, 2004-Present**

Michigan Center for Civic Education, Waterford, MI

- Coordinated educational programs for Michigan's 11<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.
- Disseminated curriculum materials to schools across the district.
- Planned/facilitated professional development seminars for area teachers.
- Successfully lobbied Congressional leadership for continued support of MCCE programs.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Coach, 2006-2009**

- Organized and conducted tryout, conditioning, and open gym events.
- Selected and managed rosters of 15 student athletes per team.
- Supervised teams on road trips.
- Maintained parent contacts and fostered parental involvement through the ordering/coordinating of team apparel.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade U.S. History Teacher, 2004-Present**

South Lyon Community Schools, South Lyon, MI

- Contributed to the development and implementation of SLCS Social Studies Curriculum.
- Developed inquiry and project-based lessons, incorporating state standards and meeting benchmarks.
- Strong supporter of, and participant in, extracurricular activities.
- Demonstrated natural ability to form positive relationships with staff, students, and community members.
- Eager participant in committees (NCA, SIP, staff development, etc.).

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**South Lyon Aspiring Administrators Cohort, 2010-2011 School Year**

South Lyon Community Schools, South Lyon, MI

- Engaged in case study analysis of administrative issues.
- Contributed to substantive discussion/debate related to selected topics in administration.
- Studied and presented group findings during collaborative sessions.

**Conferences Attended by Competitive Application**

**The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, New York, NY**

*America between the Wars* (Summer Seminar), Columbia University, July 2005

**Center for Civic Education, Waterford, MI**

*Project Citizen* (Summer Institute), Salve Regina University, July 2005

**National Endowment for the Humanities, Washington, D.C.**

*America's Industrial Revolution* (Summer Institute), The Henry Ford, June 2005

**Center for Civic Education, Waterford, MI**

*We the People* (Summer Institute), Northern Michigan University, July 2004

**Conferences Attended Annually**

**Center for Civic Education**, Waterford, MI  
*Educating for Citizenship*, East Lansing, MI  
*Coordinators' Conference*, Washington, D.C.

**Michigan Council for the Social Studies**, Ann Arbor, MI  
*Annual Educators' Conference*, Kalamazoo, MI

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Association of School Administrators  
National Association of Elementary School Principals  
Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association  
Michigan Center for Civic Education  
National Council for the Social Studies  
Michigan Education Association  
South Lyon Education Association  
University of Michigan Alumni Association