## Jonathon David Wennstrom

Objective: Principal of Rosedale Elementary, Livonia Public Schools

## Education: PhD in Educational Administration and Leadership

ABD (Expected Graduation Spring 2013)

Western Michigan University Kalamazoo, MI

### Master of Arts in Educational Administration (2000)

Central Michigan University Mt. Pleasant, MI

### **Bachelor of Science in Education (1995)**

Western Michigan University Kalamazoo, MI

(ZA Early Childhood Endorsement)

### Associate of Arts (1992)

West Shore Community College Ludington, MI

### Background/

### Philosophy:

I am currently in my tenth year as a school principal. My background consists of experience as a classroom teacher at various elementary grade levels, coaching and directing at the high school level, and working with adult learners in the classroom and in an online format. I believe in establishing effective relationships within the school and throughout the community. A principal should be an instructional leader who provides teachers with the tools necessary to make ALL students successful. I believe my experience with creating respectful, friendly, and high expectation environments in schools will make me a good fit for the Livonia Public Schools system.

#### **Professional**

## **Experience:**

# Online Instructor for the University of Phoenix Education Department (2009-Present)

- Instructor for Master's level courses in the University of Phoenix's Educational Administrative program
- Use a variety of educational resources and authors (Danielson, Marzano, and Fullan) to facilitate discussions about real-world scenarios in education today
- Work with educational leaders across the country and beyond as we explore coaching and mentoring techniques in school systems

• Use of technology and working with adult learners keeps me up to speed with educational innovations and resources

# Principal of Pinewood Elementary (Warren Woods Public Schools) (2008-Present)

- Oversaw implementation and training for Everyday Math Series and Lucy Calkins Writing programs
- Supervised implementation and training for Curriculum Crafter for my school and at a district level (KC4 Curriculum)
- Facilitator of Professional Learning Communities
- Implemented NWEA testing to assist student growth in becoming a significant factor in teacher evaluations
- Fostered community partnerships through our student council with several local agencies ranging from Gleaners to Nursing Homes
- Served as Early Childhood Specialist for the district and supervised Great Start Readiness Program
- Member of the district Evaluation Committee

## Principal of Woodmont Academy K-7 (June 2007-2008)

- Instructional Director and Coordinator
- Planned Professional Development Sessions
- Developed and Presented Board of Education meeting agenda
- Title 1 Coordinator and Director
- Developed and monitored building budget
- Hiring and Dismissal, Supervision and Evaluation of Staff
- Organized and Facilitated After School Tutoring Programs
- Organized and Facilitated mentoring programs
- Worked closely with Parent Task Force
- Responsible for school cancellations due to inclement weather and supervised student drop off and pick up daily in lot

### Chief Academic Officer for Baker College (2004-2007)

- Supervisor of all Academic Programs servicing 1600 students
- Responsible for hiring, supervision and evaluation of department deans
- Classroom instruction for classes in the Department of Education
- Developed Three year strategic plan
- Team leader for Quality Improvement Initiative (CQI)
- Developed and monitored campus and departmental budgets
- Served on several community and departmental boards
- Worked in conjunction with local superintendents at monthly ISD meetings
- Facilitated dual enrollment programs and articulation agreements with area high schools
- Responsible for quarterly credentials reports and board updates

## Principal of Franklin Elementary School (Cadillac Area Public Schools) (1999-2004)

- Supervised curriculum departmental meetings and implemented academic pacing guides
- Developed academic and schedule
- Prepared and monitored building budget
- Completed Grant for Michigan School Readiness Program
- District NCA Committee Member
- State-Wide NCA Visitation and review team member
- Board Representative for Union contract negotiations
- District supervisor for latchkey program
- Nominated for Michigan's Principal of the Year in 2004

## Classroom Teacher for Cadillac Area Public Schools (1995-1999)

- Instructor for multi-age classrooms and self-contained rooms
- Participated in "looping" programs with same group of students
- Chairman of School Improvement Committed
- Leader of the Report Card revision Task Force
- Organized student mentoring coalition
- Varsity Wrestling Coach 1995-2002
- Directed High School Musical Programs 1998 and 1999

## Professional Organizations:

- MEMSPA
- NAEYC
- ASCD

#### Additional

### **Experience: Community Events and Public Service**

- Graduate of Chamber of Commerce Leadership Series
- Rotary Club member and Committee Chairperson
- Provide after-school guitar club instruction
- Facilitated "Young Men's Club" for middle school students
- Perform in Community Theater Group
- Instructor for teen bible study at local church
- Active member in a variety of community activities