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### **Educational Background**

- 1997 Doctor of Education. Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
Dissertation: The Relationship of Middle School Characteristics to Teacher Expectations and Cognitive Learning Environments  
Recipient of several scholarships and fellowships
- 1993 Superintendent's Letter of Eligibility. University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- 1973 Master of Arts. Villanova University, Villanova, Pennsylvania  
Major: Counseling Psychology
- 1968 Bachelor of Arts. LaSalle University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
Major: Liberal Arts. Active in numerous activities and athletics
- 1963 Cheltenham High School, Wyncote, PA

### **Professional Experience**

- 2004-Present Professor of Practice. Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania  
Designed and implemented an innovative program that identified and trained teacher leaders for leadership positions in urban schools. Academic focus and research agenda: Studying the cyclical process that links theory and practice in school leadership  
Presenter at national and international conferences on leadership
- 1996-2004 Principal. Conwell Middle Magnet School. School District of Philadelphia. Overcoming an eighty percent poverty rate, this highly diverse school attained achievement rates that rival those of more affluent suburban counterparts
- 1985-2004 Principal. School District of Philadelphia. Led four different schools in crisis through adaptive change, resulting in climate and program improvement  
As a Lead Mentor Principal, trained and supported numerous principals and other administrators  
Organized and led professional development for administrators through the Philadelphia Education Fund

Led training in other areas for the district including Students Assistant Programs, TESA and Instructional Support Teams

1997-2004 Adjunct Professor. Gwynedd Mercy College. Gwynedd Valley, PA. This accelerated cohort model has prepared dozens of effective principals throughout the Philadelphia region

1992-1993 Director of Student Services. Cheltenham Township School District. Elkins Park, PA

Assistant Principal. Turner Middle School. Philadelphia, PA

1973-1980 Teacher/Counselor. Barratt Junior High School. Philadelphia, PA

1969-1973 Teacher. Archbishop Wood High School. Warminster, PA

1968-1969 Group Underwriter. Insurance Company of North America, Philadelphia, PA

### **Awards/Citations**

2002 National Academic League Principal Award

2001 Rose Lindenbaum, Principal of the Year

1999 – 2000 Marcus Foster, Principal of the Year Nominee

1999 Aspira, Principal of the Year

1998 City of Philadelphia - Citation for Outstanding Leadership

1999 State of Pennsylvania – Award for Outstanding Leadership

1986 Chapel of the Four Chaplains Award

1980 Citizen of the Year – Crisis Intervention Network