#### **EDUCATION**

Piedmont College, Demorest, GA (Paulding County Cohort)

M.A. in Education 2004

Area of Concentration: Secondary Science

Capstone: "Motivation for Science: The Effects of Perceptions and Self-Analysis on Achievement"

Honors: 4.0 GPA

University of Georgia, Athens, GA

**B.S. in Secondary Science Education** 

1999

2012-Present

Area of Concentration: Secondary Science/Biology

Honors: Magna Cum Laude

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Chapel Hill High School, Douglasville, GA

Science Teacher 2000-2005

Courses Taught: Physical Science (CP & Honors), Biology, Chemistry (CP & Honors)

& Advanced Placement Chemistry

Other Duties: Science Fair Assistant Coordinator; Assistant Softball, Volleyball

& Soccer Coach

Temple High School, Temple, GA

Science Teacher 2005-2012

Courses Taught: Chemistry (CP & Honors), Advanced Placement Chemistry,

Physical Science, Physics, Forensics

Other Duties: Leadership Team, Science Team Chair, Data Team Member, Science

Fair Coordinator, Science Club Sponsor

University of West Georgia, Carrollton, GA

**UTeach Master Teacher**Courses Taught: Step 1: Inquiry Approaches to Teaching

Step 2: Inquiry-Based Lesson Design

Apprentice Teaching

Inclusive Secondary Mathematics & Science Education

## CERTIFICATION

Georgia Educator Certificate, Level T-5

Fields: Science Grades 6-12 2000-2020

Gifted In-field 2002

AP Chemistry, College Board 2002

Lab Safety, Flinn Scientific 2011

AWARDS/GRANTS	
Teacher Quality Grant – Chemistry of Art  • Collaborated with chemistry faculty to conduct a teacher development workshops related to integrating Art with Chemistry	2013-present
<ul> <li>IMPACT Grant – Improving Motivation, Performance, &amp; Attitudes of Children &amp; Teachers in Math &amp; Science</li> <li>Received funds to bring hands-on inquiry based math and science lessons to K-12 students at the University of West Georgia and the local Boys and Girls Club.</li> </ul>	2012-2014
Teacher Quality Grant – Students and Teachers Actively Researching Science (STARS)  • Collaborated with chemistry faculty to conduct a teacher development Workshops focused on the successful implementation of Science Fair.	2013-2014
Temple High School Teacher of the Year  • Voted by THS faculty in 2010 for 2011-2012 School year	2010-2011
Carrollton Rotary Club – Teacher of the Year  • Selected to represent the Temple area	2010
Carroll EMC Bright Ideas Grant  • Received funds to initiate a Forensics program at THS	2009
Georgia Retired Educators Association Outstanding Educator Award  • Nominated by a student	2008
Armed Forces Communications & Electronics Association Science Teaching Tools Grant  • Received funds for the purchase of Vernier data collection equipment for use in chemistry	2007
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE/SERVICE	
Science Fair Workshop Leader for Douglas County Schools	2014 -2015
UWG COE Leadership Development Program	2013-2015
Lithia Springs High School STEM Advisory Board Member	2014-Present
Clayton County Schools Science Fair Judge	2015-2016
West Georgia Regional Science Fair Judge	2012, 2016
Lithia Springs High School Science Fair Judge	2014
Research Experience via Active Collaboration with High Schools (REACH)  Collaboration with the UWG Chemistry Department to assist high school students in the development of competitive Science Fair Projects and give them access to university technology.	2011

Georgia Leadership Institute for School Improvement (GLISI)

2011

GLISI's Framework for Leadership of School Improvement included leading Better-Seeking Teams, analyzing data, and developing action plans.

THS Teacher Academy

2010-2011

Leadership Team member participation in the planning of two one-week programs for THS teachers before preplanning. Participation included team building activities, analysis of school data, setting departmental SMART Goals, and other professional development like Standards Based Instruction, Shared Inquiry and data analysis programs.

# GaDOE Summer Leadership Academy

2010

Attended the conference at Callaway Gardens with the THS Leadership Team
to learn about the School Improvement Planning Process; included the role of
Leadership Teams, SMART Goals, and Data Teams.

High School Chemistry Laboratory: A Contextual and Inquiry Based Teaching Approach

2009

 Professional Learning opportunity at the University of West Georgia by Dr. Basu-Dutt, Dr. G. Marshall, and Dr. Wink. A lab activity was redesigned to be inquiry based and used in the classroom; a presentation was made about the outcome.

Appalachian Regional Commission Math Science Technology Summer Institute

2009

Program at Oak Ridge National Laboratories for students and teachers exposing
them to the projects taking place by scientists at the national level; was
a member of teacher team that collected and analyzed data with scientists in the
Environmental Sciences.

### Learning Focused Schools Training

2007

A member of a small team attended a workshop to represent THS;
 learned about strategies including: Activation, Acceleration, and Summarizing;
 made a presentation to the faculty.