

Dr. Beverly “Buffy” Edwards

An award winning energetic motivated classroom leader with extensive experience in P-20 educational settings.

EDUCATION

University of Oklahoma

Norman, Oklahoma

2008 Doctor of Philosophy, Instructional Psychology and Technology
Dissertation: *Motivation and Middle School Readers: Graphic Novels, Books, and Free Voluntary Reading Time.*

1989 Masters of Library and Information Studies

Mayville State University

Mayville, North Dakota

1985 Bachelor of Science, Music Education
1985 Bachelor of Science, Business Education

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2000 – 2016	Library Information Specialist	Norman Public Schools, Norman, OK
	Teacher Librarian, K-12 Alternative Education (2000-Present)	
1991 – 2000	Teacher Librarian, Elementary	
2016 – Present	Lecturer Pool	Sam Houston State University, Hunstville, TX
2009 – Present	Adjunct Faculty	Valley City State University, Valley City, ND
2005 – Present	Adjunct Faculty	University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK
1988 – 1991	Teacher Librarian	Moore Public Schools, Moore, OK
1986 – 1987	Cataloger	State Historical Society of North Dakota, Bismarck, ND

CERTIFICATION

Oklahoma Library Media Specialist Standard Certificate	Current
North Dakota K-12 Music Education, LM 3 Library Credential	Current
Texas School Librarian Standard Certificate	Current
Arizona K-12 Music Education, Library Endorsement	Current

Curriculum and Instructional Design

Develop, design, and deliver graduate online courses, content and instruction for:

- Cognition, motivation, and classroom management;
- Introduction to communication and technology;
- Information literacy & research standards;
- Children's Literature;
- Contemporary cataloging in the school library;
- Collection development in the school library;
- Collaboration management & leadership in the school library;
- Digital literacy & citizenship, copyright primer, & internet safety;
- Information literacy in a digital age;
- School Media Administration.

Co-plan, co-teach, and co-assess instruction in integrated classrooms PK-20;

Develop and Implement curriculum standards through inquiry based instruction;

Strong instructional design background.

Technology

Proficient with Web 2.0 tools for teaching and productivity, Google Apps for Education (forms, docs, calendar, sites), Office365, Microsoft Office (Word, Excel);

Proficient with course management systems Moodle, Desire2Learn, Blackboard;

Model effective methods of instruction and tools for the use of technology in school classrooms;

Administrator of Library Automation System, maintenance of functionality and data, and configuration of public online library catalogs;

Develop and maintain school and district library services webpage;

Professional development for teachers and administrators integrating technology;

Utilize tools to create interactive online courses and materials (screencasting, VoiceThread, Skype, course management tools, etc).

Organization

Balance roles and responsibilities of Library Information Specialist and Teacher Librarian;

Effective day-to-day time management skills and manage personal/professional time to successful teach online course with full-time employment;

Organize author visits for the district;

Collect and analyze library program data (circulation statistics, database usage, system reports);

Develop and maintain a diverse library materials collection;

Catalog and prepare materials for circulation including copy and original cataloging;

Configure eReaders and OverDrive eBook collections for student use.

Manage and Training

Responsible for development and implementation of staff training using technology, software and hardware;

Supervise clerical staff in copy cataloging and technical services and library assistant role;

Assist District Director with library program planning and development of site librarians;

Leader and role model for forward thinking direction and leadership for district library program;

Mentor for Masters of Education program & LIT concentration students.

Communication

Excellent written and oral communication skills:

Outstanding communication with students in online course environment;

Facilitate conversations with district administrators and personnel, site principals, teachers, and librarians;

Innovate outreach efforts to the classroom from school library including PR and Advocacy;

Present training, workshops and sessions at district, state, and national level (list available upon request);

Strong grant writing skills having written and received multiple grants including local school foundation and Laura Bush Foundation.

PUBLICATIONS

Guided Inquiry and Science – a Perfect Match (2016). *Teacher Librarian*, in draft for publication January 2017

The World is Not Flat Guided Inquiry Design unit (2016). Chapter in *Guided Inquiry Design in Action: High School*. Santa Barbara, California: Libraries Unlimited.

Can-do Spirit: Facing the Challenges of Budget Cuts (2009). *Knowledge Quest*, 40(3), 54-57.

Motivating middle school readers; The Graphic Novel Link (2009). *School Library Media Activities Monthly*. (25)8, 56-58.

HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND RECOGNITIONS

University of Oklahoma School of Library and Information Studies Outstanding Alumni, 2016

Special Meritorious Service Award, Oklahoma Library Association, 2010

William B. Ragan Memorial Scholarship, University of Oklahoma, College of Education, 2006

Oklahoma Arts Council Major Grant Category grant recipient, 2006

State of Oklahoma *Kyoto Youth Exchange Delegation* Leader, Kyoto, Japan, 2002, 2003

National Board Certified Teacher *Library Media*, 2002-2012

Information Technology Pathfinder Award, American Association of School Librarians, 2001

Oklahoma Education Association Instructional Excellence in Education Award, *Teachers Teaching Teachers*, recognizing outstanding leadership in the integration and use of instructional technology, 2001

Rotary International “*Good Will Ambassador*” Group Study Exchange to Sweden, 2000

Site Teacher of the Year and *Finalist* for Norman Public Schools District Teacher of the Year, 1999

Hitachi Teacher Exchange Delegate to Odawara City, Japan, 1999

Polly Clarke Award recognizing outstanding Library Media Specialist in Oklahoma, 1993

Services and Professional Affiliations

Texas Library Association/Texas Association of School Librarians 2015 - present

University of Oklahoma SLIS. Assessment Committee & School Librarian Certification Committee 2014-present

National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. Standards Committee 2009-2016

Member (Institution) Oklahoma Technology Association 1991 - present

Member, Oklahoma Education Association/National Education Association 2001- present

Oklahoma Affiliate Delegate to the American Association of School Librarians, 2002-2011

Member, Oklahoma Library Association/Oklahoma School Librarians 1987 - present

American Library Association/American Association of School Librarians 1987 - present

Member, American Association of School Librarians, 1987 – present