

# CURRICULUM VITAE



## VICKI WILSON

CHANGE CATALYST

### My Why...

*To inspire reflective thought and growth in others so that they can make a greater impact with the work they do.*

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### EDUCATOR

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM  
1993 TO 2023

Instructed and mentored elementary students for 14 years before moving into instructional leadership as an elementary principal. Served 16 years as a principal.

Lead instructional improvement with systematic instructional rounds, professional learning communities, professional development around research-based instructional practices, and innovative approaches for today's learners.

### AUTHOR

EDUCATION NONFICTION  
2019 TO PRESENT

Writes on topics for educators and education leaders in the form of blogs, books, and chapters for book collaborations.

### SPEAKER/CONSULTANT

VICKI WILSON CONSULTING, LLC  
2020 TO PRESENT

Trains, coaches, and facilitates school and district leaders and school faculty for successful implementation of strength-based instructional rounds, professional learning communities, and transitions through school mergers.

Michigan Elementary and Middle School Association (MEMSPA) Certified mentor and coach for new and seasoned school principals.

Implementation Coaching through the Michigan Literacy Leader Network (LLN). Coaching principals through successful schoolwide literacy implementation plans.

SOLUTION TREE ASSOCIATE  
2021 TO PRESENT

Trains, coaches, and facilitates school leaders and faculty around Professional Learning Communities (PLC) and PLC at Work and RTI at Work.

## CLIFTON STRENGTHS

1. Learner
2. Ideation
3. Achiever
4. Intellection
5. Maximizer
6. Strategic

## SKILLS & PROFICIENCIES

- Instructional Leadership
- Cognitive (Facilitative) and Dialogical Coaching
- Reflective Practitioner
- Tenacious Learner
- Research-Based Instructional Strategies
- Collaborative Team Coaching
- Leadership Mentoring
- Restorative Behavior Approaches
- Student Centered Learning Environments
- Adult Learning Principles
- Managing Transitions in School Closings/Mergers

## EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

MASTER'S DEGREE  
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION  
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION  
CERTIFICATE K-12, 2006

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY

MASTER'S DEGREE  
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, 1998

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

BACHELOR'S DEGREE  
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION,  
MATH MAJOR  
ARTS GROUP MINOR, 1993

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATES

MICHIGAN DEPT OF EDUCATION  
PROFESSIONAL TEACHING  
CERTIFICATE 1993-PRESENT

MICHIGAN DEPT OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR  
CERTIFICATE 2006-PRESENT

## HONORS & AWARDS

2023

The President's Lifetime Achievement Award

2023

National Educator of the Year Mortgage One

2018 TO 2023

Model PLC School Solution Tree

2018

Blue & Gold Award Model Professional Learning Community Wyandotte Public Schools

2012

Outstanding Administrator Wyandotte Public Schools

1999 AND 2001

Peacemaker Award Macomb County Intermediate School District

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*Transforming thinking to  
improve learning and practice.*

## PUBLICATIONS

*Lead With Instructional Rounds, Creating a Culture of Professional Learning*, Published by Dave Burgess Consulting, 2020

*100 No-Nonsense Things that All Teachers Should Stop Doing*, Collaborative Book Project published by Pushing Boundaries Consulting, 2021

Chapter 47: Stop Punishing Kids Without Listening to their Side of the Story

*100 No-Nonsense Things that All School Leaders Should Stop Doing*, Collaborative Book Project published by Pushing Boundaries Consulting, 2022

Chapter 55: Stop Ignoring Feedback of Any Kind From Any One

Author's Page: [amazon.com/author/vwilson](https://www.amazon.com/author/vwilson)

## AREAS OF INTEREST

- Instructional Rounds
- Strength-Based Leadership
- Professional Learning Communities
- Restorative Practices
- Literacy and Math Essential Practices
- Mental Health
- Organizational Change
- Leadership Effectiveness
- Innovative Educational Practices
- High Leverage Instructional Practices
- Student-Centered Learning Environments

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

MEMSPA Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association

Former Region President, Strategic Planning Committee, Conference Presenter

Former RAND American School Leader Panel

NAESP National Association of Elementary School Principals

ASCD Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development

Learning Forward: The Professional Learning Association

## REFERENCES

Dr. Catherine Cost, Former Superintendent 248-763-0028

Paul Liabenow, MEMSPA Executive Director 517-898-1611

Jessica Shipman, Curriculum Director 248-561-9071