

Anthony J. Colannino

CERTIFICATION:

Educator License #351328
Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent (Initial)
Principal/Assistant Principal PreK-6 (Professional)
Elementary Education Grades 1-6 (Professional)

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE:

Mindset Works Inc., Walnut, CA
Leadership and Professional Learning Specialist

July 2015 – December 2017

- ◆ Led two-year professional development cycle with the School District of Philadelphia (SDP), charged with changing executive team culture in understanding and operationalizing growth-minded practices. Tasks included creating successful Request for Proposal, meeting regularly with school district leadership, aligning growth-minded goals to SDP's goals, delivering onsite professional development and assessing program effectiveness
- ◆ Cultivated client relationships with Cincinnati Public Schools' district and building leadership while creating and delivering a multi-year, growth mindset professional development plan which included contractual negotiations, support for district roll out of blended, professional development program and leadership coaching/professional development for building leaders
- ◆ Delivered keynote addresses, professional development and virtual consultations to school districts across the country to share an understanding of growth mindset, to show the implications of mindsets in learning and to provide practical leadership/teacher moves that support greater student achievement
- ◆ Assisted in brainstorming, outlining, storyboarding and creating an online teacher course, Powerful Educator, in partnership with Mawi Learning
- ◆ Researched, interviewed and wrote posts for Mindset Works blog

Fiske Elementary School, Wellesley, MA
Principal

July 2012 – June 2015

- ◆ Closed achievement gap significantly as evidenced in standardized scores while simultaneously supporting student growth for all students: Fiske received a Department of Education Commendation for high progress in October 2017
- ◆ Moved diverse school of learners from Level 2 to Level 1 status in second year of leadership
- ◆ Led district growth mindset professional development for identified school-based leaders
- ◆ Led anti-bullying, positive, peer-to-peer relationship work with school leadership team and consultant, Stan Davis

MacArthur Elementary School, Waltham, MA
Principal

July 2007 – June 2012

- ◆ Led yearlong study of teacher beliefs with staff utilizing research, abstracts and videos to discuss, question and better understand how teacher beliefs affect teaching, learning and achievement
- ◆ Developed and implemented in-school Writer's Workshop professional development plan that aligned with school district improvement goals and was used as a model for other schools in the district
- ◆ Developed publishing professional development with Fablevision Inc. and author Peter Reynolds to bring tools and training to staff for both low- and high-tech publishing of student work
- ◆ Served on district's professional development committee realigning district-wide vision, mission and procedures for professional development and wrote new proposal forms
- ◆ Led School Data Team in analyzing data guiding inclusion model for Special Education and ELL students
- ◆ Led Instructional Walkthroughs with district leadership and curriculum directors
- ◆ Implemented Response to Intervention model to support positive classroom culture and create behavior modification plans when necessary

Veterans' Elementary School, Gloucester, MA
Principal

July 2006 – June 2007

- ◆ Delivered school-wide classroom management initiative through staff training time using the book Setting Limits in the Classroom as a guide
- ◆ Developed School Improvement Plans in line with district goals using DIBELS, DRA, MCAS, GRADE and GMADE data as a basis for decision making and prioritizing goals

Clapp Elementary School, Woburn, MA
Principal

August 2004 – June 2006

- ◆ Developed and implemented math tutoring program targeting low performing students through partnership and grant money from Raytheon Corporation

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Morse Elementary School, Cambridge, MA
Fifth Grade Teacher

September 2000 – June 2004

- ◆ Led Guided Reading initiative for teachers in grades three through five
- ◆ Editor and designer Morse School Literary Magazine
- ◆ Fund-raiser and designer for Ted Littlefield Memorial Garden on school grounds

Agassiz Elementary School, Jamaica Plain, MA
Fifth Grade Teacher

September 1998 - June 2000

- ◆ Granted professional status following first year of teaching
- ◆ Faculty Senate Vice President
- ◆ Faculty member School Site Council
- ◆ Organized teacher reading group

MEDIA EXPERIENCE:

**Marlborough Enterprise, Hudson Sun, Lowell Sun,
Portsmouth Herald, Haverhill Gazette**
Newspaper Reporter/Editor

1991 - 1997

Cablevision of Boston, Boston, MA
Television Production Assistant

January 1991 - May 1993

- ◆ Assisted in all aspects of twelve-hour weekly, live production of “Extra Help,” an award-winning homework assistance television program for Boston school children
- ◆ “Extra Help” was a 1991 Action for Children’s Television Award winner and was nominated for a Cable Emmy Award

EDUCATION:

Simmons College, Boston, MA
C.A.G.S. Education Leadership, May 2004

Simmons College, Boston, MA
M.A.T., Elementary Education, August 1998

Westfield State College, Westfield, MA
B.A. Mass Communications, May 1990