

MARGO WALSH BARNHART, Ed.D.

EDUCATION

Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, Doctorate in Administration, Planning and Social Policy, Management Concentration

University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida, Advanced Graduate Study in Administration and Supervision

University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida, Master of Arts, Special Education

Oglethorpe College, Atlanta, Georgia, Bachelor of Arts, *cum laude*, Elementary Education.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2008—University of Northern Colorado, Adjunct Faculty, Elementary Education

2007 – Present, Early Childhood/Special Education Program Consultant, BASE Camp, Ft. Collins, CO

2005 – 2007 Director of Training, Pacific Data Solutions, San Diego, CA

**2002 – 2005 Senior Education/Research Consultant for The Cargill Scholars Project,
Minneapolis Public Schools, Minneapolis, Minnesota.**

2000 – 2002 Change of Mind Learning Systems, Executive Vice President, Educational Research and Development Services, Eden Prairie, Minnesota.

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Founder & President/CEO, Dreamcatcher Learning Center Franchise Corporation, Windsor, Colorado.

Superintendent of Schools, Summit School District RE-1, Frisco, Colorado

Executive Director of Pupil Services, Greeley School District Six, Greeley, Colorado

Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Services, Amherst Regional School District (pk-12) Amherst, Massachusetts.

College Instructor/Supervisor at St. Leo College, Dade City, FL and Lesley College, Boston, MA

Building Level Administrator, all levels

Central Office Administrator, curriculum, special education, pre-school

Special Education & Classroom Teacher, all levels P-12, eight years

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION & LICENSURE

Licensed in various states (including Colorado, Massachusetts & Florida) as: Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Elementary or Secondary Principal, Curriculum Supervisor, Special Education Administrator, Teacher Elementary grades (K – 8), Special Education all ages Pre-school – Adult.

RESEARCH, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Named to Who's Who in Northern Colorado Business by the Northern Colorado Business Report , in the category of education, 8/2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005.

Presenting at CAEYC, Colorado Association for the Education of Young Children, 10/2007 Topic: Keys to Supervisor Development for Childcare Center Directors.

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Named by The Northern Colorado Business Report to the 2004 Mercury 100 List of Fastest Growing Privately Held Businesses in Northern Colorado, at position number two.

Senior Education Research Consultant, Cargill Scholars, Cargill Foundation, Minneapolis Public Schools, Minneapolis, MN

BRAVO ENTREPRENEUR! Nominee, for three consecutive years in 1999, 2000, & 2001, for founding and successfully franchising Dreamcatcher Learning Centers, by The Northern Colorado Business Report.

Published: "An Examination of the Development of the Colorado Preschool Project in a Public/Private Partnership: A COLLABORATIVE MODEL," dissertation presented to the Committee on Degrees of The Harvard University Graduate School of Education, in partial fulfillment of the degree of Doctor of Education.

Strategic Planning Consultant: Yuma, Arizona Schools, Districtwide Strategic Planning Model Development and Implementation.

Strategic Planning Consultant: Town of Windsor Planning, Parks and Chamber of Commerce.

Consultant: Faculty In-service, "Learning Styles--What, Why and How?" Cheyenne Count RE-5 School District, Cheyenne Wells, CO.

Consultant: Kansas State Board of Education, Wichita, KS, a two day seminar: "Transforming Schools through Inclusive Education and Strategic Planning".

Presented Research: "Preschool for Everyone with a Public/Private Partnership", a presentation to the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Annual Convention, New Orleans, LA.

Presented Research: "School Community Facilitator: Connecting Point for Students, Staff and Parents, research and presentation to the Annual Convention of the American Association of School Administrators (AASA), San Diego, CA.

Presented Research: "Utilizing a Research Based Model to Develop Restructured Schools that Include and Educate ALL Students," presented at the Pacific Rim Conference on Educational Reform, Honolulu, HI.

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Presentation: "Inclusive Schooling in An Outcome Based System," a presentation to the Second Rocky Mountain Outcome Based Education Conference, Greeley, CO.

Presentation: “Tying District Outcomes to the Individual Educational Plan (IEP), a presentation at the Effective Strategies for Integrated Education Conference, Denver, CO.

Presentation: “Is Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD) a Handicapping Condition?” a presentation to the ADD Conference sponsored by FLITE Six, Greeley, CO.

Presentation: “Principal Competencies for Successful Inclusion of All Students,” a presentation with Dr. Harvey Rude (UNC) to college and university personnel at the 13th Annual Conference of the Teacher Education Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, Anchorage, Alaska.

Presentation: “Outcome Based Education for All Students, Including the Handicapped,” a presentation to the First Rocky Mountain Outcome Based Education Conference, Greeley, CO.

Presentation: “Building Principal Competencies for Site-Based Special Education Leadership,” a presentation to the 68th Annual Convention of the Council for Exceptional Children, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Published: “Learning Disorders and Attention Deficits,” an audio training cassette for pediatricians prepared with Betsy Busch, MD and Larry Silver, MD and published by the American Academy of Pediatrics.