



Educational Biography
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Superintendent of Schools

As a Colorado native, I take great pride in the fact my roots run deep in the Centennial State as I grew up on a farm between Durango and Bayfield. I am always looking to bring my innovative vision of hope and grit, inspired by values learned on the farm, to provide collaborative work with staff, students, and families.

I began my educational career serving Durango High School as an English, newspaper, yearbook, and digital video teacher for six years. I was then an assistant principal and Career and Technical Education Director at Rifle High School for six years.

Moving to Colorado's Front Range, I was principal for 10 years of Mountain View High School in Loveland, which was recognized as one of the top 10 high schools in the United States for Positive Behavior Instructional Support. Mountain View also won 12 state championships during my tenure at the school. In 2012, I joined Greeley-Evans School District 6 as the Chief Human Resources Officer for a district with over 2,700 employees and 21,000 students. For the last two years, I then served as the Director of Innovation, Instruction, and Technology for Estes Park Schools (assistant superintendent). In those two years, I facilitated efforts to increase Advanced Placement enrollments by over 20 percent, increase data-driven instruction/assessment, and increase technology integration across all classrooms in the Estes Valley.

I earned my Doctor of Education in Educational Studies, Change, and Reform from the University of Northern Colorado. I have also traveled all over Western America as an educational consultant helping districts and K-12 schools reach consensus to establish safe and welcoming environments for staff, students, and families, thorough restorative practice and positive-based approaches to building school climate and culture.

My wife Betty, a 30-year National Board Certified high school English teacher (NBCT), and I are the proud parents of two sons, William, 27, who lives in Virginia, and Alexander, 25 of Fort Collins, Colorado. We also share a family friend, a yellow Labrador Retriever named Bentley.

In my free time, I have been a youth sports official in soccer, basketball, and football and an officiating leader and instructor for 33 years. I also enjoy golf, fishing, and everything the Colorado outdoors has to offer.