

# LONA A. CARTER

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- 2003-Current Jefferson Elementary School Helena, MT  
Principal of K-5 Elementary School
- 2010-2014 HSD1 K-12 IEFA Helena, MT  
Administrator of K-12 IEFA Student Programming &  
Professional Development
- 2007-2008 Special Education Preschool, HSD1 Helena, MT  
Principal of Preschool for Identified 3, 4 & 5 year olds
- 1996-2003 Helena High School Helena, MT  
- Assistant Principal in charge of Curriculum and Scheduling  
- Assistant Principal in charge of Special Services  
- Assistant Principal in charge of Attendance and Discipline
- 1995-1996 Helena High School Helena, MT  
Administrator of Project For Alternative Learning and  
HHS Assistant Principal in charge of Special Services
- 1994-1995 Helena High School Helena, MT  
Social Service Coordinator and Study Skills Teacher
- 1990-1994 C. R. Anderson Middle School Helena, MT  
- Social Service Coordinator and Alternative-Team Teacher  
- Alternative-Team Teacher, Combined 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade team of 40  
students identified as at risk and/or emotionally disturbed  
- Special Educator, 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> self-contained emotionally disturbed  
classroom
- 1989-1990 Paris Elementary School Riverside, CA  
Special Educator, 1-5<sup>th</sup> severely emotionally disturbed self contained  
classroom, Site Teacher Leader
- 1988-1989 Helena Middle School Helena, MT  
Special Educator, 7<sup>th</sup> grade self contained noncatagorical classroom

## **QUALIFICATIONS & EDUCATION**

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### **Class III Montana Administrative Educator License; Endorsements Principal, K-12 and Superintendent, K-12**

- Montana State University, Superintendent Endorsement, Bozeman MT 2015
- University of Montana, K-12 Principal Endorsement, Missoula, MT 1999
- University of Montana, Masters in Educational Leadership, 5-12 Principal Endorsement, Missoula, MT 1993
- University of Montana, Bachelor of Art Degree, K-12 Special Education, K-12 Reading (minor), 5-12 Psychology (minor), 5-12 Secondary Education, Missoula, MT 1988
- Capital High School, Graduate, Helena, MT 1983
- C.R. Anderson Middle School, Helena MT
- Ray Bjork & Broadwater Elementary Schools, Helena MT

## **LEADERSHIP & CURRICULUM EXPERIENCE**

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### **Current District Level Leadership & Curriculum Work**

- Principal Jefferson Elementary School
- HSD1 Fine & Performance Art Liaison for Community Partners
- District K-12 Fine & Performance Art District Administrator
- District K-12 Physical Enhancement District Administrator
- Special Education Strategic Planning Committee
- Building and District Level Professional Learning Community Work
- Integrated school wide MoSAIC (Model School Art-Integrated Curriculum) Program

### **Past and/or On-going District and Building Level Leadership & Curriculum Work**

**(Not mentioned previously)**

- District Level Safe Schools Committee
- Trained and served as a Consensus Group Facilitator

- Developed a nonprofit partnership with the Historical Society to further Indian Education for All Curriculum Integration.
- Successfully wrote and obtained Foundation Gifts for MoSAIC programming.
- K-12 Technology Committee Member
- Facilitated District K-12 Curriculum Development and Assessment Committee
- District K-12 Whole Child Planning Committee Member
- Administrated Special Education Preschool Program to develop a 1, 3, 5 & 10 year action plan to serve our communities youngest learners
- PCAP Career Development Plan Review Committee
- O-5 Year Early Childhood Committee
- Crisis Response Team Executive Committee and Subcommittee Chair
- Alternative Compensation Committee
- Balanced Leadership Years 1- 3
- Critical Friends Group Implementation and Facilitation
- PreK -12 Montana Behavior Initiative
- EEO/Title IX Committee Chair
- Middle & High School Annual School Planning Committees
- Secondary Level Attendance Committee
- Special Needs Programming Development & Implementation
- District Level Calendar Committee
- Provided Middle & High School Training to Meet Needs of Identified Students
- Middle School Transition Committee
- High School Teacher Training on Substance Abuse Issues for Our Students
- At-Risk Programming at Middle & High School Level
- Elementary & Middle School Development of Appropriate Inclusion "School within a School" Model
- K-12 Respect Committee Development and Implementation
- K-12 Health & Human Performance Curriculum Development
- Co-Trainer of Programming for At-Risk Youth

## **SPECIAL AWARDS**

- 2006 Montana National Milken Education Award Winner: Presented by The Milken Family Foundation and The Montana Office of Public Instruction
- 2010 Distinguished Educator Award Winner: Presented by the Helena Education Foundation and a Distinguished Student Scholar

