

BRENDA BURR

TEACHER EDUCATION

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EDUCATION

Ed.D Educational Leadership Brigham Young University, 2015

MA Educational Leadership Brigham Young University, 2008

BA English Education University of Central Oklahoma, 1995

EXPERIENCE

10/2024 - Present - School Services Manager, PRIMARY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, Salt Lake City, UT

- Presented Funding Proposal to 2026 Utah State Legislative Session
- Created Grant Partnership with First Book
- Created Grant Partnership with StoryCon
- Created Grant Partnership with DragonSteel
- Worked with team to create a video highlighting School Services
- Gave Multiple Donor Presentations

8/2021- 8/2024 - Principal, DIAMOND FORK MIDDLE SCHOOL, Nebo School District, UT

- Led the change from a junior high back to middle school, schedule and staff restructure and building renovation
- Instituted SEL PD including Mindfulness Moment and Happiness Hunt
- Implemented learning pods with new Pod Time and Rattler Time reteach and enrich
- Facilitated Trauma Informed Practices PD *Implemented Discovery gifted program

9/2018 - 2025- Adjunct Faculty Educational Leadership, SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE UNIVERSITY, Manchester, NH

- On-line graduate instructor for EDU 612 Education Law and Ethics, Edu 619 Leading Educational Organizations, and Edu 617 Building Community Through Education

8/2016-8/2021 - Principal, DIAMOND FORK JUNIOR HIGH, Nebo School District, UT

- Created a new Flex Time schedule for remediation and enrichment
- Facilitated creation of new mission, vision, and values
- Created Leadership Class, Student Representative Council
- Implemented advisory period (Team Time) with SEL lessons
- Created student community service field trips: Team Serve
- Led accreditation
- Created a "Calming Room"
- Facilitated EMints technology training grants
- Created 9th grade Peer Mentor Program

8/2012- 8/2016 - Principal, SAGE CREEK ELEMENTARY, Nebo School District, UT

- Implemented Chinese Immersion Program
- Implemented Gifted Programs
- Started STEM/Robotics after school program
- Implemented DIBBELS, Common Core, and SAGE Assessments

2/2008-8/2012 - Assistant Principal, SALEM HILLS HIGH SCHOOL, Nebo School District, UT

- Administrative Team opening a brand-new high school

2004-2015 - Adjunct Faculty, BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY, Provo, UT

- Secondary Education 379 Classroom Management
- Secondary Education 515R Curriculum and Instruction
- CPSE 514R Program Evaluation/Culture Building
- EL Ed 514R Special Topics in Education

8/1999-3/2008 - English Teacher, SPRINGVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, Nebo School District, UT

- Intern Facilitator and Mentor Teacher
- Student Council Adviser
- Literary Magazine
- Cheer Coach

8/1996-8/1999 - English Teacher, FAIRVIEW SCHOOL K-8, Fairview School District, MO

- Student Council Advisor
- Cheer Coach
- Summer School Co-Ordinator

8/1995-8/1996 - English Teacher, SUMMIT MIDDLE SCHOOL, Edmond School District, OK

- Implemented Honors Program

HONORS

- The David Space Lifetime Make-A-Wish Achievement Award, 2024
- Nominee Utah UASSP Principal of the Year, 2021
- Nebo School District CAPS Mentor of the Year, 2019
- Utah UAESP Innovator Principal of the Year, 2015
- Nebo School District Innovator Principal of the Year 2015
- KSL Utah Reading Counts School of the Year, 2015
- State of Utah Helping Hands Volunteer of the Year, 2012
- Salem Hills High School Faculty of the Year, 2012
- Salem Hills High School PTA Excellence in Service, 2011
- Salem Hills High School FFA Volunteer of the Year, 2010
- Springville High School Teacher of the Year, 2007
- Springville-Mapleton PTA Excellence in Service, 2006

LEADERSHIP

- Member of HEAL Health Educators Academic Liaison, 2024 - current
- Primary Children's Member Caregiver Advisory Board, 2025 - current
- Brigham Young University Education Society and Literacy Committee, 2023 - current
- Utah Valley Advisory Committee for Teacher Effectiveness, 2023
- Nebo School District Middle School Task Force 2019 - 2021
- Nebo School District Community and Public Relations Committee 2016 - 2019
- COGNIA Accreditation Team Member 2008 - 2020
- Utah State Office of Education Teacher Effectiveness Committee 2012 - 2013
- Nebo Education Foundation Board Member 2009 - 2014
- UHSAA Region 8 Fine Arts Chair 2009 - 2012
- Utah Council of Teachers of English Board Member, Publicity Chair 2007
- International Reading Association Nebo Chapter Treasurer 2003 - 2005
- Nebo School District Teacher Evaluation Committee 2003 - 2004
- Salt Lake City Olympic Games Education Liaison, 2002

PUBLICATIONS

- Burr, Brenda. "Student Voice in Teacher Evaluations." Diss. Brigham Young University, 2014
- Burr, Brenda. "Student Voice in Teacher Evaluations." NAESP 2014 Best Practices for Better Schools Annual Conference Proceedings. July 10-13, 2014 Nashville, Tennessee.
- "The Best Date I Never Had, a Short Story." The New Era Aug. 2004: 47-49. Print.
- "From a Closed Fist." Utah Writing Project Summer 2003:26-28. Print.

PRESENTATIONS

- "Learning is Healing." Utah State School Nurses Association (USNA), Salt Lake City, UT. 2026
- "Learning Through Shared Experienc." Utah School Counselors (USCA), Salt Lake City, UT 2025
- "Joyful Learning: It's Intentional." BYU Education Society Annual Conference, Provo, UT. 2025
- "Student Voice in Teacher Evaluations." NAESP National Conference, Nashville, TN. July 2014
- "Parent Partnering and Engagement." International Dual Immersion Conference, Salt Lake City, UT. October 2014
- "Home Team Classroom Management." Nebo School District New Teacher Induction, Spanish Fork, UT. 2005-2012
- "Taking the Lead." BYU Fall Student Leadership Conference, Provo, UT. 2007
- "Literary Service-Learning." Utah Council Teachers of English Fall Conference, Brigham Young University Provo, UT. 2006
- "Multi-Genre Matters." Utah Council of Teachers of English Fall Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT. 2005
- "Researching through a Different Lens." CITES Literacy Conference, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT. 2004
- "School Spirit through Service." Dixie College Student Summer Leadership Conference, St. George, UT. 2004-2006