

ESTHER J. COX
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EDUCATION

Waterville High School
Waterville, WA
Graduated 1953

Washington State College
Pullman, WA
1953-1955

Eastern Washington State College
Cheney, WA
BAEd, 1965
Major: Language Arts Minor: Social Studies

University of Alaska Fairbanks
University of Alaska Anchorage
MAEd/Counseling, 1973

CERTIFICATES

State of Alaska Certificates
Type A: Secondary Language Arts 2005-2010
K-12 Guidance Counselor 2005-2010
Type B: Administrative 2005-2010

WORK EXPERIENCE

ASD Educational Consultant, South Anchorage HS, 2000-2004
ASD King Career Center, Principal, 1990-1998
ASD Central Administration, Secondary Supervisor, 1985-1990
ASD Romig Junior High, Principal, 1982-1985
ASD West Anchorage High School, Assistant Principal, 1979-1982
ASD Service-Hanshew Jr/Sr High School, Assistant Principal, 1973-1978
ASD Service-Hanshew Jr/Sr High School, Administrative Intern, 1972
ASD Rural Transition Center, Head Teacher, 1970-1972
Juneau-Douglas High School, Teacher, 1967-1970
West Anchorage High School, Teacher, 1965-1967

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Navy League Board, 2009-2010
Alaska Bar Association Disciplinary Committee, lay member, 2007-present
Alaska Bar Association Fee Arbitration Committee, lay member, 2007-present
Amazing Grace Lutheran Church, volunteer, 2007-present
Bear Valley Elementary School, tutor, 2006-present
ASD Career Technical Education Advisory Board, 2006-present
Campbell Glen Home Owner Board, 2004-present
Anchorage Historical/Fine Arts Museum Commission, 2002-2006
Anchorage Museum Association, 2002-2006
Future of Museum Committee, 2002-2006
McLaughlin Youth Center Advisory Board, 2000-2008
Planning/Zoning Commission, Municipality of Anchorage, 1996-2002
Private Industry Council, Municipality of Anchorage, 1989-1993
Anchorage Youth Court Board of Directors, 1988-1990
Northwest Accreditation Teams: Lathrop, 1981; Cordova, 1981; Seward, 1982;
Nenana (chair), 1985; Soldotna (chair), 1990; Nome (chair), 1991; Barrow
(chair), 1992; McLaughlin HS (chair), 2000; Polaris K-12, 2002;
Chugiak, 2002; West, 2004.

STATE POSITIONS

Alaska State Board of Education and Early Development, 2002-present
First Vice Chair, 2003-2006
Chair, 2007-2010
Alaska Construction Academy Advisory Board, 2006-present
Alaska State Selection Committee, Milken Educator Award, 2003-present
UA Statewide Vocational/Technical Education Advisory Council, 1996-1999
Alaska Department of Education Committee of Practitioners, 1990-1994
Alaska State Northwest Accreditation Committee, 1985-1998
Alaska School Activities Association, Region IV Rep., 1982-1988
Chair, 1986-1987
Planning Team, Seward Wellness Conference, 1987-1992
Alaska Association of Secondary School Principals, president, 1983-1985
Alaska Council of School Administrators, president, 1983-1984
Alaska Association of Secondary School Principals State Conference, chair,
1981-1983
IDEA Fellow, 1972, 1978, 1982, 1985

NATIONAL POSITIONS

National Association of Secondary School Principals, president, 1994-1995
Commission on the Restructure of the American High School, 1994-1995
(NASSP/Carnegie Foundation for the Improvement of Teaching published

“Breaking Ranks: Changing An American Institution”)
National Association of Secondary School Principals, Board of Directors,
1989-1995
National Association of Secondary School Principals, delegate to International
Confederation of Principals: Geneva, 1992; Antwerp, 1994; Sydney,
1996
National Center for Research for Vocational Education, task force, “Integrating
Academics and Vocational Education,” 1990-1991
Alaska Assessment Center for Principals, chair, 1984-1985
“Clearing House Magazine,” consulting editor, 1993-1996

AWARDS

ASD King Career Center, dedication of playground in honor of Esther J. Cox,
1999
ASD Administrator of the Month, 1998
Mayor’s First Outstanding Educator Award, Anchorage, 1998
Milken Family Foundation Education Award, 1996
Woman of Achievement, YWCA/BP, 1994
NASSP/EPCOT Symposium, 1983 (One of 50 principals selected nationwide)
ASD Romig Junior High, principal, US Department of Education “School of
Excellence” award, 1985
Alaska Association of Secondary School Principals Distinguished Service
Award, 1985
Alaska’s Outstanding Secondary School Principal, NASSP/Burger King, “In
Honor of Excellence,” 1983-84

REFERENCES UPON REQUEST