

James E. Merriner

Work experience

- Aug. 2008-Present Interior Distance Education of AK Anchorage, Alaska
Site Administrator
- Responsible for the Anchorage IDEA correspondence school program (Galena City School District), which facilitates the home-school education of more than 875 Anchorage-area students.
- Sept. 2007-Aug. 2008 Self-Employed Anchorage, Alaska
Business Owner
- Merriner Management, Inc. Construction industry clients.
- Dec. 2006-August 2007 Executive Branch Juneau, Alaska
Chief of Staff for the Lieutenant Governor
- Lieutenant Governor's main policy, budgetary, and personnel advisor. Assisted the Lt. Governor in his statutory and voluntary responsibilities (e.g., Division of Elections, Initiatives, Regulations).
- June 2006-Dec. 2006 Chief Paul Memorial School Kipnuk, Alaska
Site Administrator
- Responsible for educating 233 students, supervising 49 employees at a rural public school (preK-12).
- Aug. 2002-June 2005 Grace Christian School Anchorage, Alaska
Principal
- Responsible for the junior high and high school programs at Alaska's largest independent school (785 students K-12). Recruited, trained, and supervised 38 teachers and staff.
- Aug. 2000-June 2002 Grace Christian School Anchorage, Alaska
Assistant Principal
- Primary responsibilities included 7-12 grade discipline and K-12 curriculum development.
- Aug. 1996-June 2000 Pacific Northern Academy Anchorage, Alaska
Teacher
- 5-9 grade social studies
- Summers 1993-2009 Self-Employed Bristol Bay, Alaska
Captain
- 32 ft. salmon gillnet F/V CLARE-ANN B

Education

- Oct. 1995-July 1996 Cambridge University Cambridge, England
MPhil in Educational Leadership/School Improvement
- Rotary International scholarship
- Aug. 1994-May 1995 University of Alaska Fairbanks Fairbanks, Alaska
Teacher Certification
- Teachers for Alaska (TFA) program
- Sept. 1989-June 1993 Harvard College Cambridge, Massachusetts
BA in Modern European History
- John Harvard Scholarship for academic achievement of highest distinction
- Aug. 1984-May 1988 Dillingham High School Dillingham, Alaska
High School Diploma
- Valedictorian