# **FACULTY VITA**

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## PROFESSIONAL INTEREST

Pre-service education, mentoring of educators in public schools, graduate education for elementary teachers

## **EDUCATION**

B.Ed.	East Texas State Univ.	1982	Elementary Ed.
M.Ed.	East Texas State Univ.	1987	Elementary Ed.
Ed.D.	East Texas State Univ.	1992	Reading

#### PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

Master Teacher - Written Exam Professional Educator's Certificate

Texas Provisional Elementary Teacher's Certificate - General

Texas provisional Kindergarten

Texas Provisional Elementary-Life Earth Middle-School Science

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2002-present Director of TAMU-C / MISD Partnership

1992-present Assistant Professor/Director of Texas A& M

University-Commerce/Mesquite ISD Center for Professional Development and Technology

1991-1992 Ad-interim instructor, Elementary Education,

East Texas State Univ.

1991 Adjunct instructor, (Spring and summer),

Elementary Education, East Texas State University

1983-1991 Teacher, Porter Elementary, Mesquite I.S.D.

#### PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

Association of Teacher Educators Association of Texas Professional Educators Mesquite Education Association Kappa Delta Pi Phi Delta Kappa

#### RECOGNITION

2005	Nominated for the 2005 Professor of the Year Award
2004	Phi Delta Kappa Service Key Award
2004	Association of Texas Professional Educators' Service Award
2002	Paul W. Barrus Distinguished Faculty Award
1998 / 99	Sid Richardson Fellow
1996-2001	Who's Who Among American Teacher

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Sandefur, S., Moore, L., Stetson, E., Anderson, K., Vaughan, J., and Weaver, S. (2001). To Form a More Perfect Union: How a University and a Public School District Collaborated to Create a Field Based Master's Degree Program in Elementary Education. Action in Teacher Education, 26 (2), 58-65.

Gibson, C., Shumate, A., & Weaver, S. (1999) Implementing the Regents' Initiative: Challenges and Strategies. The Partnership for Texas Public Schools.

DeRita, C., & Weaver, S. (1991). Cross-age literacy program. Reading Improvement, 28. 244-248.

Weaver, S. (1992). Learning style profile for Tohono O'odham Elementary Students with Iimplications for Literacy Programs. (Doctoral dissertation, East Texas State University, 1992).

## **Technical Reports:**

Vaughan, J.L., Weaver, S.L., Underwood, V.L., Binversie, N., House, G., Durkin M., & Schroth, G. (1992). The Learning Style Characteristics of Tohono O'odham Students: An Executive summary. Research Report No. 1. Commerce, TX: Texas Center for Learning Styles, East Texas State University.

Vaughan, J.L., Weaver, S.L., Underwood, V.L., House, G.L. (1992). a Comparison of Students' Learning Styles as Determined by the Learning Style Inventory and Personal Learning Power. Research Report No. 2. Commerce, TX: Texas Center for Learning Styles, East Texas State University.

Vaughan, J.L., Underwood, V.L., House, G.L., Weaver, S.L., Dotson, S. (1992).

Learning Styles and TAAS Scores: Preliminary Results. Research Report No. 3.

Commerce, TX: Texas Center for Learning Styles, East Texas State University.

# **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS (Most Current)**

- 2008 TAMU-C / Mesquite I.S.D. Partnership, Sid Richardson Foundation, April, Austin, TX
- 2008 ExCet / TExES review sessions, Mesquite I.S.D., September, January, Mesquite, TX
- 2007 ExCet / TExES review sessions, Mesquite I.S.D., October, February, Mesquite, TX
- 2007 ExCet / TExES review sessions, Rockwall I.S.D., November, Rockwall, TX
- 2006 Science TEKS in the Elementary Classroom, Grand Prairie ISD, October, Grand Prairie, TX
- 2006 TExES Preparation, February, Mesquite ISD, Mesquite, TX
- 2005 "PPR TEXES Preparation", Rockwall ISD, November, Rockwall, TX.
- 2005 "Making Math Fun", Garcia Elementary, October, Grand Prairie, TX
- 2005 "Making Math Fun", P-16 Power Up Professional Development Conference, July, Grapevine, TX.
- 2005 "Hands-on Science in the Elementary Classroom", P-16 Power Up Professional Development Conference, July, Grapevine, TX.
- 2005 "Mentor Teachers: Expectations and Challenges," Texas A&M-Commerce's A.C. Program, October, Mesquite and Commerce, TX.
- "Mentor Teachers: Expectations and Challenges," Texas A&M-Commerce's A.C. Program, October and February, Mesquite and Commerce, TX.
- 2002 "Field-Based Master's Degree Cohort," Association of Teacher Educators 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting, February, Denver, CO.
- 2001 "A Discussion of Respect: Building Bridges," Faculty and Staff Development Day, Texas A&M University-Commerce, March 8, Commerce, TX.
- 2001 "Teacher Leadership: Partnerships Benefiting Learners: Why, Who and How?", Fifth Annual Conference on School-University Prtnerships, October 8, San Antonio, TX.
- Leading Together, Learning Together: Partnering for Results, Center for Creative Leadership/Kenan Alliance Conference, October 11, Greensboro, NC.
- 2000 Horn, J., Hutton, J., Ramsey, J. and Weaver, S. (2000) "Developing School/University Partnerships: Lessons Learned Through the Center for Creative Leadership Facilitation," presented at the National Staff Development Council's 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, December 4.
- Weaver, S., Stetston, E., Sandefur, S., Anderson, K. and Moore, L., "A&M Commerce and Mesquite ISD Master's Degree Cohort Project," presented at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual conference on ShoolUniversity Partnerships, October 9<sup>th</sup>, Austin, TX.

- Weaver, S., Goodlett, K., Zelhart, P., and Roberts, T., "A&M-Commerce and Mesquite ISD Teacher Aide Special Education Program," presented at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on School/University Partnerships, October 9<sup>th</sup>, Austin, TX.
- 2000 Weaver, S. "I Am a Mentor. What am I Supposed to be Doing?", presented at the 2000 CPDT Summer Institute, June 3, Arlington, TX.
- 2000 Weaver, S. "Mentoring for Lead Mentors and Aspiring Mentors," presented at the Best Teaching Practices Conference, April 18<sup>th</sup>, Commerce. TX.
- 1999 "Workshops for Mentors: Design and Implementation," 1999 CPDT Summer Institute, June 3-4, Arlington, TX.
- 1999 "Developing Teacher Leaders," Third Annual Conference on School/University Partnerships, October 3-5, San Antonio, TX.
- 1999 "Developing School/University Partnerships: Lessons Learned Through the Center for Creative Leadership Facilitation", Third Annual Conference on School/University Partnerships, October 3-5, San Antonio, TX.
- 1999 "Partners in Life-Long Learning: Staff Development and Graduate Degrees," Third Annual Conference on School University Partnerships, October 3-5, San Antonio, TX.
- 1999 "Empowering Teacher Leadership in the New Millennium," ATE Conference, February 13-17, Chicago, IL.
- 1999 "Emerging Relationships between Teacher Leadership and Teacher Preparation Programs," AACTE Conference, February 24-27, Washington D.C.
- Horn, J., Ramsey, J., Weaver, S., and Vaughan, J. (1998) School/University Partnerships presented at the Midwinter Conference in Austin, January 26.
- 1998 Weaver, S.L. and Ramsey, J. (1998) "Traditional v. Field-Based Preparation of Teachers." Program presented at Second Annual Conference on School-University Partnerships, San Antonio, October 26.
- 1998 Weaver. S.L., Howard, K., Linek, W., Stetson, E., and Vaughan, J. (1998) "Partnership Masters Degree Program presented at Second Annual Conference on School-University Partnerships, San Antonio, October 27.
- 1998 Sampson, M.B., Weaver, S.L., Raine, L., and Westergaard, P. (1998) Feedback from the Field: The Impact of Preservice Teacher Input on the Evolution of a Professional Development Center. Roundtable presented at College Reading Association ence, Myrtle Beach, North Carolina, November 6.
- 1998 Sandefur, S., Vaughan, J., Weaver, S.L., Franklin, T.D., & Hornsby, E.S. (1998), Jazzed Up TAAS Scores Go Beyond Rhythm and Swing. Program presented at Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association Annual Conference, San Antonio, December 8.
- 1997 The Growing Pains of Collaboration. What a Mess!" College Reading Association's National Conference, Boston, Massachusetts.
- 1997 "What I Wish My University Professor and Mentor Teacher Would Do or Say: Preservice Teacher Feedback.", College Reading Association's National Conference, Boston, Massachusetts.
- 1997 "Setting Goals, Breaking Barriers and Becoming a Successful Teacher," Inservice Training for New Teacher Staff Development,

- 1997 "TAAS Writing and Real Life Experiences," Staff Development Training for Grand Prairie ISD, Texas.
- "The 3 R's + T: How to Connect Reading, Writing, Math, and Technology.", "Homerun or Strikeout: How to Create Learning Stations.", "Thematice Units from A to Z.", "Don't give up! Learning Styles and Today's Learner." The International Institute of Literacy Learning Conference, Louisville, Kentucky.
- 1996 "Multiple Intelligences and the Gifted." Staff Development Training for Grand Prairie ISD and Jacksonville ISD, Texas.
- 1996 "Setting Goals Your Second Year of Teaching." New Teacher Staff Development for Mesquite ISD, Texas.
- "Wiggle, Roll and Jump: How to Make Math Fun!", "Skill, Drill, and Kill! Isn't There a Better Way.", "Homerun or Strikeout: How to Create Learning Stations.", "Thematic Units from A to Z." The International Institute of Literacy Learning, Conference, Andover, Massachusetts.
- 1995 Coker, D., Horn, J., Kanouse, C., Weaver, S., & Ramsey, J. (1995) "ATE 1995 Distinguished Program in Teacher Education: Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers Today," Association of Teacher Educators Annual Meeting. Detroit, MI, February.
- Weaver, S., & Kutch, D. (1994)
   "Leaving a Legacy through Mentoring Presentation, Texas Staff
   Development Council Conference. Padre Island, TX, April.
- 1994 Stetson, E., Stetson, R., Vaughan, J., & Weaver, S. (1994)
  "Induction-Year Teacher Effectiveness: Those Trained in
  Professional Development School Settings Have the Edge."
  Presentation, 1994 Annual Meeting of the American Association of
  Colleges for Teacher Education. Chicago, IL., February.
- 1994 Stetson, E., Stetson, R., Vaughan, J., Weaver, S., Kutch, D., Ramsey, J., & Horn, J. (1994) "Induction-Year Teacher Effectiveness: Those Trained in Professional Development School Settings Have the Edge." Presentation at the Association of Teacher Educators Annual Conference. Atlanta, GA., February.
- 1993 Vaughan, J.L. & Weaver, S. (1993). "Learning Styles and Adolescent Readers." Keynote address, Third Annual Secondary School Reading Conference. Orlando, FL., February.
- 1993 "Connection with K-12 Schools and the Community" Teach America II Conference, Washington, D.C.
- 1993 "Making the Learning Styles and Literacy Connection" Region Service Center Workshop,SanAngelo?

1994 Spring/1994 Literacy Across the Curriculum Jacksonville I.S.D.

Literacy in the Primary Grades Grand Prairie I.S.D.

work for Literacy Instruction-The Teacher's Role

Jacksonville I.S.D. Staff Development, Jacksonville, TX.

"Learning Styles and Literacy Instruction: A Workshop"

Reading to Learn and McGuffey Reading Center, University of

Virginia, Charlottesville.

1991-92 "Teaching Reading Through Individual Learning Styles".

Region 10 Education Service Center Workshop, Dallas.

1991 "The Empowered Teacher." Association of Teacher Educators

Mid-America Conference, Dallas.

1991 "Practical Strategies for Teaching to Students' Learning Styles."

Vocational Guidance Professional Development Conference,

Austin, Texas.

1991 "Modalities and Learning: Now There's More." Center for

Success in Learning 1991 National Instructional Conference,

Dallas.

1991 "Learning Styles in the Classroom." Bridges to Learning

Conference, East Texas State University.

#### CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

Fall 2009	TExES Reviews	Mesquite
Spring 2009	TExES Reviews	Mesquite
Fall 2008	ExCet Reviews	Mesquite ISD
Fall 2007	ExCet Reviews	Mesquite ISD
Fall 2007	ExCet Reviews	Rockwall ISD
Spring 2007	ExCet Reviews	Mesquite ISD
Fall 2006	Science Workshop	Grand Praire ISD
Fall 2005	TExES Reviews	Rockwall ISD
Fall 2005	Math Workshops	Grand Prairie ISD
Spring 2001	ExCet Reviews	Mesquite ISD
Fall 2001	ExCet Reviews	Mesquite ISD
Fall 2000	ExCet Reviews	Mesquite ISD
Summer 2000	Writing Literacy Curriculum	Dallas ISD
Summer 1999	Understanding Your Students	Baylor Dental Coll
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Summer 1999 Understanding Your Students Baylor Dental College
Fall 1999 ExCet Reviews Mesquite I.S.D.
Spring/1997 TAAS, Gifted, Special Ed GrandPrairie I.S.D.
Spring/1997 Social Skills and Literacy Jacksonville I.S.D.
Fall/1997 Literacy, Integrated Curriculum Grand Prairie I.S.D.

Summer/1997 TAAS and Learners Grand Prairie I.S.D.

Grand Prairie I.S.D.