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**Meg Ormiston**

An educational technology specialist and consultant  
ready for new adventures in the world of education.

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**Objective:**

Seeking a new adventure in education using my skills as an educational technology visionary focused on changing the world of teaching and learning.

- **Visionary Leader:** Guiding districts through the process of appropriate technology integration k-12 making the connection between teaching and learning and technology tools and resources.
- **Author/co-author** of twelve books focused on teaching and learning with technology. The #NOWclassrooms series of 5 books was written with 26 practicing educators aligned to the ISTE standards and tied to curriculum all available by winter 2017 through Solution Tree Press.
- **Professional Development Specialist** leading small groups or auditoriums of educators with interactive professional development that is practical and focused on immediate classroom application.
- **Problem Solver** skilled at identifying the obstacles to change in a school district including technical problems, service, cultural, instructional, or leadership. Skilled at organizing the problems and creating a strategic plan of change over time working within the vision of the school district.
- **Conference Presenter** at regional, state, national and international conferences including ICE, FETC, ISTE, Learning Forward, ASCD, and HBE in Australia.

**Experiences:**

From teaching second grade to School Board President I have had many enriching experiences:

- Keynote speaker internationally, regionally, and locally.
- Author of twelve books, and co-author of numerous articles.
- Consultant to schools k-12
- President of the Board of Education.
- Grant writer and co-developer of grant activities.

- Board member for SET Connections Special Education and Technology Connections
- On camera expert for professional videos as well as technical assistant.
- Classroom teacher K-8
- Adjunct professor
- Curriculum coach k-12
- Founding board member of an Educational Foundation for Excellence.
- Consultant to various businesses serving the k-12 community.

### **Keynotes and Featured Presentations:**

- 2017 *Speaker at the annual Learning Forward Conference, Orlando, FL*
- 2017 *Keynote speaker at Neshaminy School District Langhorne, PA*
- 2016 *Keynote speaker Illinois Business Educators Springfield, IL*
- 2016 *Keynote speaker Klein School District Houston Texas*
- 2015 *Featured speaker Student Engagement and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills Saskatoon, Saskatchewan*
- 2015 *Featured speaker for Illinois ASCD Lincolnshire, IL*
- 2015 *Featured speaker for Islamic Education Forum Rosemont, IL*
- 2015 *Keynote speaker Upstate Schools Consortium Greenville, SC*
- 2015 *Featured speaker for the Escambia Digital Learning Summit, Pensacola, FL*
- 2015 *Featured speaker for the Klein Digital Learning Summit Houston, TX*
- 2015 *Featured speaker Connections Conference, St. Charles, IL*
- 2015 *Featured speaker Digital Learning Summit, Naples FL*
- 2015 *Featured speaker at Assessment and Assessment and Evaluation, Phoenix, AZ*
- 2014 *Featured speaker HBE 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Melbourne, Australia*
- 2014 *Featured Speaker at FETC the Florida Education and Technology Conference*
- 2013 *Presenter at the Annual ASCD Conference*
- 2013 *Presenter at the Annual CELL Conference*
- 2012- *Presenter at the National Title I Conference*
- 2012- *Presenter at the Annual ASCD Conference*
- 2012- *Presenter at the Annual National School Board Association Conference*
- 2012- *Featured Speaker at FETC the Florida Education and Technology Conference*
- 2012- *Presenter at the Learning Forward Summer Conference*
- 2011- *Presenter at the Annual AuthorSpeak Conference*
- 2011- *Presenter for Learning Forward Summer Conference*
- 2011- *Keynote Speaker Nebraska School Board Conference*
- 2011- *Keynote Speaker Technology in Education Conference, South Dakota*
- 2010- *Keynote Speaker Nebraska Association of School Boards (NASB)*

2010- *Featured Speaker at the Nebraska Educators Educational Technology Association (NETA)*

2010- *Presenter for online course titled "Teaching, Learning and Leading in a Digital Age"*

2009- *Presented a Ticketed Session at the Annual Association for Supervision and Curriculum*

2009 - *Keynote the Midwest Education and Technology Conference (METC)*

2009- *Closing Keynote Speaker for North Carolina Technology In Education Society (NCTIES)*

2009- *Keynote Speaker for The Fellowship for the Improvement of Educational Leadership (FIEL)*

2009- *Keynote Speaker for Illinois Association for Supervision and Curriculum Leadership Conference*

## **Teaching Experience**

Consultant, Tech Teachers, Burr Ridge, IL	1999-present
Design Team Member, Bridging the Disconnects Grant, Joliet IL	2003-2006
Adjunct Faculty, Aurora University, Aurora, IL	2003-present
President of Professional Development, e-school.edu Willowbrook, IL	1996-1999
Integrated Technology Coordinator, Palos #118, Palos Park, IL	1995-1997
Second Grade Teacher, Palos #118, Palos Park, IL	1994-1995
Math Resource Teacher K-8 Palos #118, Palos Park, IL	1991-1994
Second and Third Grade Teacher, Highlands, Naperville #203, Naperville, IL	1989-1991
Faculty Member for a National Science Foundation, Critical Thinking in Math	1988-1990
Sixth Grade Teacher, Lakeview School, District #54, Schaumburg, IL	1987-1989
Fourth Grade Teacher, Aptakisic-Trip school, Aptakisic, IL	1985-1987

## **Education**

**Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction**, National College of Education, Evanston, IL 1988

**Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education**, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL 1985

## **Publications:**

## **Books Published:**

**Five NOW Classrooms books to be published by Solution Tree Press Fall 2017.**

Ormiston, Meghan J. **Create Future-Ready Classrooms, Now!**. Vol. 1, Bloomington, Indiana: Solution Tree, 2016.

Ormiston, Meghan J. **Designing Teacher-Student Partnership Classrooms**. Vol. 1, Bloomington, Indiana: Solution Tree, 2015.

Ormiston, Meghan J. **Creating a Digital Rich Classroom: Teaching and Learning in a Web 2.0 World**. Vol. 1, Bloomington, Indiana: Solution Tree, 2011.

Ormiston, Meg, and Mark Standley. **Digital Storytelling with PowerPoint**. Vol. 2, Eugene, OR: Visions Technology in Education, 2010.

Ormiston, Meg, and Mark Standley. **Digital Storytelling with Windows Movie Maker** Vol. 1, Eugene, OR: Visions Technology in Education, 2010.

Ormiston, Meg, and Mark Standley. **Digital Storytelling with PowerPoint**. Vol. 1, Eugene, OR: Visions Technology in Education, 2003.

Ormiston, Meghan J. **Conquering Infoclutler: Timesaving Technology Solutions for Teachers**. Vol. 1, Thousand Oaks, California: Corwin Press, 2004.

#### **Other Publications:**

Co-authored an article, *Second Life is Not a Game*, by Craig Cunningham, Meg Ormiston, Lisa Perez, and Scott Swanson. Published in the ICE CUBE <http://www.iceberg.org/site/files/2008-issue1.pdf>

Webmaster and content author **www.techteachers.com**.

Co-authored an article, "Building Professional Development for Teachers of Mathematics into the Culture of Schools," published in the 1994 *National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Yearbook*

Contributor to the website for **Bridging the Disconnects Grant**

Co-author of an article published in *Best Practices: Learning and Teaching* in Chicago titled "Helping Teachers Implement Best Practice in Mathematics"

Published a report about Family Math Night on the World Wide Web, North Central Educational Lab, Pathways to School Improvement Site, May 1995

#### **Activities**

Board member for SET Connections Special Education and Technology Connections

Named one of the first Olympus Visionary Educators in 2005

School Board Member Cass School District #63, Darien IL 2002 to 2007

Cass #63 Foundation for Educational Excellence, Founding Member Summer 2001-Summer 2002

Expert and Technical Assistant for Educational Video "*Computer Applications and Technology for Teaching Math*" as well as "*Integrating Mathematics Across the Curriculum*" Skylight Professional Development Spring 2002.

Religious Education Teacher 2003-2009

Expert and Technical Assistant for Educational Video "Computer Applications and Technology for Teaching Math," as well as "Integrating Mathematics Across the Curriculum," Skylight Professional Development, Spring 2002

## **Bio**

**Meg Ormiston**, in her role as a consultant, partners with school systems that have committed to 21st century learning experiences for everyone. Meg creates a unique partnership in each district, reflecting the mission, vision, and direction that local leaders identify. Her districtwide projects include guiding teams through the visioning process, designing and delivering professional development, facilitating classroom modeling, developing student leaders in technology, and educating parents.

Meg is a teacher, a keynote speaker, and an author of seven books, including *Creating a Digital-Rich Classroom*, which received an honorable mention in the education category for the 2010 Foreword INDIES Book of the Year Awards. After twelve years teaching and coaching in the classroom, Meg volunteered on her local school board, facilitated grant projects, and continued researching and writing about best practices.

Meg has a master's degree in curriculum and instruction from the National College of Education at National Louis University and travels globally, sharing her passion for real change in the classroom. She lives in the suburbs of Chicago with her husband, Brian; her sons, Danny and Patrick; and her golden retriever, Sonoma.

To learn more about Meg's work, follow @megormi on Twitter.