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- **Award Winner** Meg was one of eight educators to be named Game Changers: 2018's Most Influential People in EdTech by *Tech and Learning Magazine*, June 2018. The NOW Classrooms 3-5 book was awarded a *Teachers Choice Award* by Learning Magazine in 2018.
- **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. This includes studying the systems in place in a district and collaborating with the departments through the change process.
- **Author/co-author of twelve books** focused on teaching and learning with technology. As the lead author I collaborated with 26 co-authors to create the #NOWclassrooms series of 5 books focus on the 4C's of communication, collaboration, creativity, and critical thinking. The series is consistently aligned to the ISTE standards with specific connections to CTE and STEM learning and STEAM.
- **Professional Development Specialist** leading small groups or auditoriums of educators with interactive professional development that is practical sensitive to the specific needs of educators teaching 21st Century skills. I also offer support services in high need school districts.
- **Instructional Coach** supporting classroom teachers and students by connecting STEM with all academic areas with at risk students. Projects include serving as a learning specialist and a coach to connect teaching and learning with technology by modeling instructional strategies with students targeting academic success.
- **Problem Solver** committed to identifying 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.
- **Instructional Designer** creating custom curriculum materials to be shared online. Communicating effectively using video topics range from mathematics strategies, science strategies, social media, and all types of technology.

Experiences:

- Keynote speaker internationally, regionally, and locally
- Author/co-author of twelve books, and numerous articles
- Consultant to schools offering support services in STEM k-12
- Instructional coach and Learning Specialist in k-12 classrooms
- President of the Board of Education in a k-8 school system
- Grant writer and co-developer of grant activities
- Board member for SET Connections Special Education and Technology Non-profit
- On camera expert for professional videos as well as technical assistant
- Classroom teacher focused on student engagement K-8
- Adjunct professor for Graduate level courses
- Curriculum coach and project manager k-12
- Expert in Google Suite, Microsoft Office, and Learning Management Systems
- Founding board member of an Educational Foundation for Excellence
- Consultant to various educational software companies serving the k-12 community

Keynotes and Featured Presentations:

2019 *Featured Speaker at Frisco ISD, Texas*

2018 *Keynote speaker at the annual Global Education Leadership Conference, Singapore*

2018 *Visiting consultant to the American School of Barcelona*

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 21st 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*

Teaching Experience

Learning Specialist, Tech Teachers, Burr Ridge, IL	09/99-present
Design Team Member, Bridging the Disconnects Grant, Joliet IL	05/03-6/06
Adjunct Faculty, Aurora University, Aurora, IL	07/03-07/17
President of Professional Development, e-school.edu Willowbrook, IL	10/96-05/99
Integrated Technology Coordinator, Palos #118, Palos Park, IL	10/95-05/96

Second Grade Teacher, Palos #118, Palos Park, IL	09/94-06/95
Math Resource Teacher K-8 Palos #118, Palos Park, IL	09/91-06/94
Second and Third Grade Teacher, Highlands, Naperville #203, Naperville, IL	09/89-06/91
Faculty Member for a National Science Foundation, Critical Thinking in Math	09/88-06/90
Sixth Grade Teacher, Lakeview School, District #54, Schaumburg, IL	09/87-06/89
Fourth Grade Teacher, Aptakisic-Trip school, Aptakisic, IL	09/85-06/87

Education

Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction, National College of Education,
Evanston, IL 06/88

Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL
05/85

Publications:

Books Published:

Blake, L., Hatlen. B., Hopkins, K., McGinnis, K., Ormiston, M., Ring, N., **NOW Classrooms: Lessons for Enhancing Teaching and Learning Through Technology, Grades k-2.** Vol.1, Bloomington, Indiana: Solution Tree, 10/18.

DeCarlo, S., Gonzalez, J., Kowalski, G., Ormiston, M., Raymond, S., **NOW Classrooms: Lessons for Enhancing Teaching and Learning Through Technology, Grades 3-5.** Vol.1, Bloomington, Indiana: Solution Tree, 10/18.

Cavanagh, W., Conboy, J., Flaherty, M., Lehotsky, J., Ormiston, M., Slanker, L., **NOW Classrooms: Lessons for Enhancing Teaching and Learning Through Technology, Grades 6-8.** Vol.1, Bloomington, Indiana: Solution Tree, 10/18.

Aquino, K., Fitzharris, G., Lawrence, W., Lubbers, Ormiston, M., Parker, S., **NOW Classrooms: Lessons for Enhancing Teaching and Learning Through Technology, Grades 9-12.** Vol.1, Bloomington, Indiana: Solution Tree, 10/18.

Bruebach, R., Fischer, B., Fisher, C., Garrett, J., Griesbach, S., Ormiston, M., Orzel, C., Reilly, J., **NOW Classrooms: Lessons for Enhancing Teaching and Learning Through Technology, Grades Leaders Guide.** Vol.1, Bloomington, Indiana: Solution Tree, 10/18.

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:

Blog Master for the NOW Classroom Project <http://nowclassrooms.com/>

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.megormiston.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, 05/95

Activities

Board member for SET Connections Special Education and Technology Connections

Named one of the first Olympus Visionary Educators in 09/05

School Board Member Cass School District #63, Darien IL 11/02 to 05/07

Cass #63 Foundation for Educational Excellence, Founding Member 08/02

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 05/02

Religious Education Teacher 09/03 05/09

Expert and Technical Assistant for Educational Video "Computer Applications and Technology for Teaching Mathematics," as well as "Integrating Mathematics Across the Curriculum," Skylight Professional Development, 05/02