Professional Positions Held by Dr. Lockett

Teacher, School Administrator, Professional Storyteller, Published Author, Motivational Speaker, Workshop Leader, Keynote Speaker, Recording Artist



2005 - Present - **Professional Storyteller/Children's Author/Educational Consultant** -Dr. Lockett is a regular presenter at schools, libraries, conferences festivals, senior centers, churches and more across the USA and internationally. His works and projects vary according to the venues where he works. Dr. Lockett has given more than 4000 programs across 32 states and in 17 countries during his time as a full-time storyteller and in his years as an educator and part-time teller.

2003-2005 - **Principal, Greeley Alternative High School, Peoria, IL,** Supervised programs for grade 6-12 at-risk students who were removed by order of expulsion from regular school settings.

1993-2003 - **Title I Director, IASA, Peoria District #150** - Wrote multiple grants (\$100 K over 10 years) and successfully managed all District Title I programs, Facilitated planning 16 Title I schoolwide projects and 1-targeted assistance program. Responsible for fiscal management of a \$8.5 million budget with (100% audit compliance and have been within 37/100 of 1% of meeting planned fiscal goals). Responsible for multiple grants including: Title I Neglected & Delinquent, Summer Bridges Grant, Reading Recovery, Program Improvement, Capital Expense, Federal Impact Aid, General Supplemental State Aid Grant.

1993-2003 - **Director of Summer Programs, Peoria District #150**, Planned, and managed tuition-based high school summer program, Title I elementary & middle school summer programs, K-8 Summer Bridges Reading Program, District-wide No Social Promotion Summer School, and Neglected/Delinquent Grant summer school programs. Hired and supervised staff, including 11 principals and over 200 staff members, while serving over 2,800 students.

2003 - **Adjunct Instructor Western Illinois University**, Instructor for Educational Administration Department, "Site-Based Curriculum Design"

1997-1998 - Affiliate Instructor, Education Department, Bradley University, Taught regular and special education classes to undergraduates, "Classroom Management Techniques" and "The Exceptional Child." Lectured and provided in-service for graduate classes in educational administration.

- 1994 **Principal, District Summer High School at Woodruff H.S.,** Planned grade 9-12 program, hired staff, and supervised program for 400 students.
- 1985-1993 **Teacher, Admin. Intern Towanda Grade School, Towanda, II.,** Classroom Teacher, Principal Designee, Computer Coordinator, Literary Coach, Intramural Coach, Musical Director, Young Authors' Coordinator, Gifted Coordinator, Student Council Director, Staff Developer, Taught one year at Northpoint Elementary during Towanda re-construction.
- 1991-1995 **Adjunct Faculty Member, Aurora University**, Taught graduate classes in reading, language arts, and social studies
- 1985-1996 Educational Consultant Two Rivers ESR, Educational Service Center #12 and for Illinois Board of Education. Also consulted with ESC # 14 and for Illinois State Board of Education (List of Workshops is available upon request.)
- 1987 **Summer School Director/Principal**, Unit District #5, Supervised two schools, K-12 program with staff of 87 teachers and 1452 students
- 1986 **Research Assistant, Math Dept., Illinois State University**, Worked for two award winning faculty members, Dr. Barbara Wilmot and Dr. Carol Thornton as part of National Science Foundation Grant Project (Program for Outstanding Illinois Mathematics Teachers)
- 1985 **Administrative Intern in Curriculum, Unit District #5**, Developed, Implemented Teacher Training in Geography under Ben Cottone
- 1972-1985 **Teacher, Fairview Elementary School, Normal, Illinois**, Classroom Teacher, Basketball Coach, Literary Coach, Teacher for Gifted Program, , Curriculum, Development & In-Service Chair, Principal Designee
- 1984 **Graduate Assistant, ISU Math Department: NSF Grant**, Facilitated program for math honors class as part National Science Foundation Grant Project
- 1983-1993 **Teacher of Gifted/Writer for Gifted Programs, Unit #5**, **Normal, IL**, ATLAS Language Program, CASE Social Science Program
- 1984 **Teacher of the Gifted, ISU College for Youth**, Developed teaching materials for gifted and talented youths, taught classes for primary and middle grade students, did staff development with teachers
- 1978 1983 Adult Education Instructor, Bloomington District # 87, Taught recreational course for adults at Fairview School, Normal, IL and at Washington School, Bloomington, IL
- 1971 1974 Youth Counselor and Church Storyteller, Union Presbyterian Church, Bloomington, IL (*Now called St. Luke's Union*) Ministered to High School Students and Worked with pastor to plan and tell a children's story each week that fit with the sermon that was planned.