# Shawna Ford, MLS

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# Summary of Qualifications

- Educator with 31 years of experience as a teacher, librarian, district digital learning coordinator, instructional coach and library services consultant
- Knowledge areas include elementary education, digital learning, librarianship, literacy, educational technology and adult learning

### **EDUCATION**

Sam Houston State University — Master of Library Science January 2011 - August 2012, Huntsville, TX Sam Houston State University — Bachelor of Science August 1984 - August 1988, Huntsville, TX

### **CERTIFICATIONS**

Elementary Self-Contained Grades PK-6 (1993- Life) School Librarian Grades EC-12 (2012- Current) English as a Second Language (2002- Current)

### **EXPERIENCE**

## ESC Region 11 — Digital Resources/Library Services Consultant

August 2018 - August 2023

- Design, develop, and present effective and engaging professional learning experiences for educators in face to face, virtual, and blended formats.
- Assist in managing, supporting, and promoting instructional technology and digital resources the ESC provides internally, to school districts, and to other ESCs across the state.
- Provide individualized coaching to support teachers/librarians as they develop skills to increase engagement and meet needs of all learners
- Create processes and manage a state-wide library services consortium of 151 districts involving member services, contract renewal, webinar development and monthly communications
- Create processes and manage a state-wide consortium for digital resources in collaboration with other Texas ESCs with a focus of supporting district needs in multiple regions while facilitating meetings and providing leadership for the team

# Weatherford ISD, Weatherford, TX — Digital Learning Coordinator

July 2015 - August 2018

• Designed, developed, and presented effective campus- and district-level staff development on the use of instructional strategies in the classroom. Assess participant acquisition of skills using a variety of evaluation procedures and conduct follow-up training based on results.

- Designed individual instructional modules, instructional materials, and training aides that incorporate the use of technology into the existing curriculum.
- Created and deployed professional development to prepare teachers for 1:1 initiative
- Created and deployed 1:1 roll-out for 7th grade students
- Researched and implemented innovative strategies to support change in pedagogy.
- Provided support to district librarians as they create innovative library programs
- Designed and implemented a Personalized Professional Learning Badge program
- Designed innovative integrated K-5 social studies curriculum
- Developed digital portfolio pilot for key groups (ELA, GT, 1:1)
- Developed and implemented iCoach program leading/supporting campus level teacher-technology coaches

## Weatherford ISD, Weatherford, TX — Teacher/Librarian

August 2009 - July 2015

- Responsible for supporting grade level curriculum, as well as teaching research and information literacy lessons, digital citizenship, and research skills
- Collaborate with teachers to integrate technology into classroom instruction
- Support classroom teachers with print and digital resources
- Create and maintain a current library collection, in both print and digital format
- Provide opportunities for student-driven learning through a makerspace and after school clubs

## PRESENTATIONS and PUBLICATIONS

2023- ESC Region 11 - Makerspaces & Design Thinking

2022- ESC Region 11 - Collection Development Best Practices

2021- ESC Region 11 - Collection Development 101

2020- ESC Region 11 - Designing an eLibrary

2020 - Librarian Influencer Podcast - Librarians Empower Students

2020- ESC Region 11 - Creating a Quality Library Collection

2020- ESC Region 11 - Leading for School Librarians Book Study

2019- TCEA - Inquiring Minds Want to Know: Digital Tools for Inquiry

2017-2018- Learning Personalized Guest Blogger

2017- UNT College of Information Meeting Innovation in the Library

2016- TCEA Knocking Down Walls in Your Library

2016- TCEA Afterschool Maker/Technology Clubs

2015- TSLAC Webinar: Makerspaces: Curating, Creating, Collaborating

2015- TCEA: Makerspaces, Collaboration Station

2014- WISD Administrators: Becoming Connected

2014- WISD Summer U: Twitter, Digital Curation

2014- Region 11, Denton TIA: <u>Digital Curation</u>, <u>Makerspaces</u>

2013- AASL: Twitter & Your PLN

### **AWARDS**

- TCEA Library Media Specialist of the Year Finalist, 2015
- Texas Association of School Librarians Media & Virtual Presence Award, 2014
- Weatherford Education Foundation Grant Winner, 2013, 2014, 2015
- ATPE Literacy Grant Winner for Curtis Elementary Library (\$1000), 2012

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Member, Texas Library Association Member, Texas Computer Educators Association

## **VOLUNTEER**

Texas Library Association 2021-2023 Administrator of the Year Committee 2016 Bluebonnet Award Luncheon Co-chair

TCEA (Texas Computer Education Association) 2015-2017: LIB-SIG Treasurer

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

February 2022 - Present - East Parker County Library Board (Currently Board President) August 2022 - Present - Aledo City Council Member 2019 - Bearcat Growth Committee