

Thomas F. Evert, PhD

Professional Biography

Partner, RD Worldwide



Summary:

A focused, enthusiastic and perceptive leader within the Wisconsin public school system, Dr. Evert has the experience of more than 25 years of senior leadership responsibilities within one of the largest school districts in the state of Wisconsin. With such longstanding experience and continuous career progress, Dr. Evert has been very successful coaching groups of educators to consistently take new approaches to education while simultaneously ensuring student achievement. He has consistently set the example for others to learn from, specifically with regard to administrator hiring and evaluation; team development and accountability; and goal attainment. Dr. Evert has gained statewide recognition in the areas of civic leadership, diversity awareness and effective communication. He has been instrumental in strategies to increase parental involvement in the education process and has remained relentless in these accomplishments while maintaining the highest regard to fiscal responsibility.

Professional Accomplishments:

- Led development and implementation of clearly defined participatory leadership style with written decision-making model.
- Participated as a leader in three successful facilities referendums including one of the largest in the state at \$70M.
- Worked cooperatively with Board of Education to lower student/teacher ratio at kindergarten and first grade levels and increased guidance and learning support services at elementary level, resulting in strong test scores at the third grade level.
- Helped create and maintain culture of collaboration among parents, community and union leaders, as well as Administrative Team and Board.
- Led the establishment and successful launch of five charter schools, including the TAGOS School which is frequently benchmarked and recognized as one of the most successful in the state.
- Initiated and led effort to partner with Studer Group to implement health care leadership concepts in education: 2007-2009

Awards and Recognition:

- Wisconsin Association of School District Administrators – Distinguished Service Award - 2009
- UAW-Martin Luther King, Jr. Service Award – 2009
- State Superintendent of Wisconsin Award earned for Civic Education work – February 2006
- Magna Award 2004 (School District of Janesville) - Joint Legislative Committee From the American School Board Journal
- National Civic Star Award 2004 (School District of Janesville) from the American Association of School Administrators for communication network meetings

- 2003 Spectrum Award (School District of Janesville) from Wisconsin School Public Relations Association for School Performance Report
- Team Management Award 1999 (School District of Janesville) – Association of Wisconsin School Administrators
- Excellence in Education 1997 - Grand Award (School District of Janesville) – 1997 Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce
- The School District of Janesville has also been acknowledged for a number of communication awards.

Employment History:

2010	University of Wisconsin-Whitewater – Course taught: School Business
2009-present	Aurora University Doctoral Faculty - Courses taught: Leadership and Modern Superintendency
2007-present	Edgewood College Doctoral Faculty – Courses taught: School Law and Media and Curriculum, Instruction and Learning Environments, Advising Doctoral Students
1995-2009	Superintendent, School District of Janesville – Retired
1992-1995	High School Principal; Joseph A. Craig High School, School District of Janesville
1984-87,89-92	Supervisor/Director Student Services; School District of Janesville
1987-89	Director of Student Services; Sheboygan Area School District
1979-84	Director of Student Services; School District of Beloit
1971-1979	Served as school psychologist for the School District of Beloit

Education:

University of Wisconsin-Madison; Post Doctoral- Educational Administration (1991)
 University of Wisconsin-Madison; Ph.D. – Educational Psychology, Minor: Education Administration (1987)
 University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire; M.S.E. – School Psychology (1971)
 University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, B.S., Major –Psychology, Minor – Political Science (1969)

Community Leadership:

2009-present	Welty Environmental Center Board Member
2009-present	Partners in Prevention
2007	United Way 2007 Campaign Co-Chair
March 2005	Board of Directors, United Way, Northern Rock County
March 2004	Led CEO Roundtable on Recruitment and Retention of Minority Staff
1997-2005	Led Community Youth Violence Task Force - with Chief of Police and Director of United Way
1997-2004	Children’s Service Society – Non-profit state counseling agency – president of local chapter
1995-2006	Forward Janesville (Chamber of Commerce) Education Council
1997-2000	Blackhawk Technical College – Board of Directors
1993-present	Rotary Club of Janesville (Board of Directors for 1995-99)
1985-present	YMCA – Board of Directors

Associations:

1999-2009	Wis. PTA Board - Superintendent Representative
1997-2005	Wis. Assoc. of School District Administrators – State Board of Directors and President (2003-04)
1992-present	Wis. Assoc. for Supervision and Curriculum Development
1971-present	Wis. School Psychologists Assoc. (State Treasurer 1975-76)
1988-1992	Wis. Council of Pupil Services Administrators (Pres. 1988-89)
2000-present	National Association Advancement of Colored People
2002-present	League of Women Voters
Aug. 2003-05	Member of State Superintendent Burmaster’s Collaborative Council

The information provided above is an abbreviated biography and does not include publications, presentations and more professional experience. If you would like more detailed or specific information specific to Dr. Evert’s credentials, please contact RD worldwide at info@rdwinc.com.