

Dr. Casey Callahan

VITA

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CURRENT POSITION:

Executive Director, Education Service Center Region 15

Education

Degrees: B.S, Agricultural Services and Development, 2000, Tarleton State University

M.Ed., Educational Leadership, 2004, Texas Tech University

Ed.D., Educational Leadership, 2018, Lamar University

Certifications Held: Agricultural Science, EC-12 Special Education, EC-12 Principal, Superintendent

Professional Experience

January 2018-Present Executive Director, Education Service Center Region 15

- Serve the needs of 42 school districts located in ESC 15 service area
- Collaboratively develop professional development for teachers, principals, superintendents, and school boards
- Collaborate with the Texas Education Agency to increase student outcomes in ESC 15
- Build partnerships with educational partners including higher education, public/charter education, and state agency

2013-2018-Superintendnet, Llano ISD

- Developed and implemented Advanced Academic Learners Plan which increased AP testing results and created Enhanced Learning Labs
- Created LISD Academic Boosters to fund creative teaching and learning
- Passed \$34 million dollar bond and supervised subsequent construction
- Successfully defended state wide curriculum lawsuit
- District Testing Coordinator and Instructional Material Coordinator
- Site Based Decision Making Committee Chair

2009-2013-Superintendent, Thorndale ISD

- Served as an instructional leader by modeling high expectations for students and staff, communicating results, collaborated with shareholders to adjust when and where we needed to optimize success.

- Created a learning environment that ensures students and staff feel safe and welcome allowing them to focus on classroom learning
- Increase availability and use of technology throughout district
- \$500,000 of capital improvements
- Implemented Communication Plan
- Designed and Implemented TTIPS Grant worth over \$3 million

2001-2009-Teacher and Principal, Mason ISD

- Pre-K- 8TH Asst. Principal August 02-May 03
- 6th-8th Principal August 03-January 03
- 9th-12th Principal January 03-May 09
- Created and fostered “Failure is Not an Option” attitude among students and staff, setting high expectations as well as building accountability for educational stakeholders.
- Scholarship program went from \$250,000 to over \$1 million in three years.
- Received Grants totaling over \$1 Million
- First ever Exemplary High School and National Blue Ribbon High in ESC Region 15

2000-2001-Teacher, Rockdale ISD

- Facilitate agricultural leadership classes consisting of students for grades 9-12.
- Being a vocational teacher, innovative methods and materials were used to produce effective real life learning experiences including cooperative learning and differentiation to reach every student and their individual needs.
- FFA Leader
- TiF Computer Technologist

Professional Development/Training

Presenter for Legislative Update for Educators

Presenter for Team of Eight Goal Setting (District Goals)

Presenter for Superintendent Search for multiple districts

Attend Annual TASA/TASB Midwinter Conference

T-TESS and T-PESS trained

Professional Memberships

Texas Association of School Administrators

Texas Association of School Boards

Texas Rural Educators Association

Professional Activities/Organizations/Awards

Blue Ribbon High School, Mason High School

Mentor Principal ESC 15

2009 Principal of the Year ESC 15

Mason County CASA Board Member

Llano County Livestock Show Association Board Member

Llano Lions Club member

References: Available Upon Request