

# **Curriculum Vita for**

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## **Educational Background**

2004 Ph.D. in Education, School of Teaching & Learning, emphasis on children's & teen literature, diverse literature, & emergent literacy, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH.

1991 Master of Library Science, Youth Services and School Library Media (K-12) emphasis, State University of New York at Albany, Albany, NY.

1988 Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts, Excelsior College, Albany, NY.

1985 Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts, State University of New York Jefferson, Watertown, NY.

### **Other Training**

Attendance at over 100 conferences, workshops, and training sessions in a wide variety of educational areas, including literacy, educational technology, information skills, and children's literature.

## **Licensure Status**

National Board Certified Teacher, Library Media PreK-12, 2008-2018.

Ohio State Teacher 5-year license, Library Media Specialist, K-12; Middle Childhood in Language Arts and Social Studies, with a Generalist Endorsement for Grades 4-6, valid through 2023.

Ohio State Master Teacher Designee, current.

New York State Teacher Certificate (permanent), Library Media Specialist, K-12.

New York State Librarian's Professional Certificate (permanent).

## **Professional Experience**

- 1999-retired    Library Media Specialist, Hilliard City School District, Beacon Elementary, Alton Darby Elementary, Ridgewood Elementary, Horizon Elementary, and Weaver Middle School, Hilliard Ohio. Currently, teach literacy, inquiry, and technology skills, and provide special opportunities for over 900 seventh and eighth grade students. Teach and provide services for over 60 staff members. Supervise volunteers and maintain a moderate sized print and electronic collection. Supervise practicum Kent State University students.
- 1998-1999    Library Media Specialist, Whitehall City School District, Etna Road Elementary School, Whitehall, Ohio.
- 1990-1998    Library Media Specialist, Indian River Central School District, Calcium, Philadelphia, and Theresa Primary Schools, Philadelphia, NY.

### **Part-time**

- 2006-current    Adjunct Lecturer of Library and Information Science, Kent State University. Teach graduate courses & workshops in children's literature & library science.
- 2008-2013    Presenter for the American Association of School Librarians, division of American Library Association, for their institutes on standards, literacy, technology, and inquiry and both in-person workshops and online.
- 2013    Adjunct Lecturer of Library and Information Science, Wright State University. Taught graduate courses in library science.
- 2005-2013    Adjunct Lecturer, Ashland University, Columbus Campus. Taught graduate courses in literacy, children's literature, and technology.
- 2003-2004 & 2012    Adjunct Lecturer of Education, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH. Taught graduate education courses in literacy and children's literature.
- 2003-2004    Adjunct Lecturer of Library and Information Science, Ohio Dominican University, Columbus, OH. Taught undergraduate library and information science courses to students gaining teacher licensure in Library Media.
- 1990    Reference Librarian, Melvil Dewey Library at Jefferson Community College, Watertown, NY. Provided services, orientations, and computer searches for students and staff.

1989-1990      Library Assistant of Central Services and Assistant Consultant for Member Librarians, North Country Library System, Watertown, NY. Assisted in all aspects of technical services, including training and supervising staff. Also assisted in organizing and presenting workshops for member librarians, primarily for children's services, and filing state reports.

### **Professional Interests**

Authentic voices in children's literature  
Historic children's literature  
Readers' response to children's literature  
School library media services  
Educational standards  
Educational technology  
Emergent literacy

### **Scholarly Writing**

#### **Dissertation**

Dorr, C.H. (2004). A Descriptive Study of Intermediate Grade Students' Extended Transaction with the Picture books of Author/Illustrator Patricia Polacco. Published on OhioLink. The Ohio State University, Columbus. OH.

#### **Thesis**

Dorr, C.H. (1991). Fiction Picture Story Books for Kindergartners on Libraries, Books, and Reading: An Annotated Bibliography. Unpublished master's thesis, State University of New York at Albany, Albany, NY.

#### **Publications**

##### **Books:**

Dorr, C. (to be released September 2021). *From Poverty to Possibility: Serving Children and Teens in Generational Poverty Through Literature*. ALA Publications.

Dorr, C. (November 2020). *The Best Award Winning Books and Powerful Strategies to Use them, K-6*. Bureau of Education and Research.

Dorr, C. & Deskins, L. (February 2018). *LGBTQAI+ Books for Children and Teens: Providing a Window for All*. ALA Publications.

Deskins, L. & Dorr, C. (2015). *Linking Picture Book Biographies to National Content Standards: 200+ Lives to Explore*. Libraries Unlimited.

### **Articles:**

Dorr, C. (2020). "Books and Authors: Talking with Matthew Cordell. *Book Links*. April, 2020.

Dorr, C. (2019). "Books and Authors: Talking with Roxie Munro. *Book Links*. April, 2019.

Dorr, C. (2018). "10 Tips For Promoting Your Summer Reading Program." *Juniorlibraryguild.com* June 2018.

Dorr, C. (2018). "Treat Your Readers: 9 Tips for Increasing Readers' Appetites." *Juniorlibraryguild.com* April, 2018.

Dorr, C. (2018). "Young Adult Literature with LGBTQAI+ Themes." *MiddleWeb.com* March, 2018.

Dorr, C. (2018). "How to Get YA Authors into Your Classrooms." *MiddleWeb.com* January, 2018.

Dorr, C. (2017). "Picture Book Biographies for the Middle Grades." *MiddleWeb.com* November, 2017.

Reviewer for *Horn Book Guide*. 2016-present.

Dorr, C. (2016). "'Obviously, a Major Malfunction': The Legacy of Lost Space Heroes and What It Can Teach Today's Students." *School Library Connection*. February, 2016.

Dorr, C. (2016). "Popular: an Interview with Author Maya Van Wagenen." *School Library Connection*. June, 2016. <http://slc.librariesunlimited.com>

Blogger for "Lolly's Classroom: Children, Books, and School: Reading for Education." *Horn Book Magazine*. <http://www.hbook.com/category/blogs/lollys-classroom/#>

Deskins, L. & Dorr, C. (2014). "Picture Book Biographies Enrich Science Studies." *School Library Monthly*, November, 2014.

Dorr, C. (2013). Series Careers. *School Library Journal: Series Books Made Simple*, Fall 2013.

Dorr, C. (2012). How Can Teachers and Librarians Partner to Support the Third Grade Reading Guarantee? *Policy into Practice*, December 2012, issue 2.

Dorr, C. (2012). Series Biographies. *School Library Journal: Series Books Made Simple*, Fall 2012.

Dorr, C. (2011). Searching for She-roes: A Study of Historic Children's Biographies of Women. *Children & Libraries*, Summer/Fall 2011.

Deskins, L. & Dorr, C. (2011). The Magic Behind the Magic School Bus *BookLinks*, June 2011.

Deskins, L. & Dorr, C. (2011). What Makes Me a Good Global Citizen?: Using Inquiry to Explore Our Rights & Responsibilities. *BookLinks*, January 2011.

Deskins, L. & Dorr, C. (2009). New Spins on Old Heroes: Engaging Today's Readers with Historical Figures. *BookLinks*, 19, 1.

Deskins, L. & Dorr, C. (2009). Web 2.0 and Global Awareness. *BookLinks Online*, October 2009.

Deskins, L. & Dorr, C. (2008). Can We Talk?: Making Social Studies Topics Relevant. *Book Links*, 18, 2.

Deskins, L. & Dorr, C. (2007). Got Art?: Infusing Art Into Social Studies Content Areas. *Book Links*, 17, 1.

Dorr, C. (2004). Krisztina Renyi: Illustrator – Hungary. *Bookbird*, 42, 43.

Dorr, C. H. (January/February 1998 and March/April 1998). Fiction Grades 3&4. *Library Talk*.

Dorr, C. H. (1996). One Student, One Moment, One Difference. *NYLA Bulletin*.

*School Library Journal*, 1994-1999, over 70 children's book reviews.

*Library Media Connection*, 2012-2014, 10 children's book reviews.

*Library Talk* and *The Book Report*, 1997-1999, over 25 children's book reviews.

### **Professional Presentations**

Ohio Educational Library Media Association Annual Conference, "From Poverty to Possibility," 7/19.

Nerd Camp Michigan, "From Poverty to Possibility" and "LGBTQAI+ Books for all Children and Teens, 7/19.

Columbus Metropolitan Library, Hilliard Branch, “Kick Ass Girls in Teen Literature,” 6/19.

Hilliard University, “Best New Books for Middle Grades,” co-presenter, 5/18.

Kent State University, Marantz Symposium, co-presenter, 8/16, 8/18.

Society of Book Writers and Illustrators, “Behind the Scenes with Book Award Committees,” 7/18.

Davidson Diversity Symposium, “Taking on the Tough Topics: Creating Great Conversations Through Great New Books,” 6/18.

Hilliard University, “GLBTQIA+ Books for All Children,” co-presenter, 11/16 & 11/17.

Ohio Educational Library Media Association Annual Conference, “GLBTQIA+ Books for All Children,” and “Picture Book Biographies in an Integrated Unit” co-presenter, 10/16 & 10/17.

NEOTECH, “Unleash Your Students’ Genius Potential,” co-presenter, 3/17.

Ohio Council of Teachers of English Language Arts, “GLBTQIA+ Books for All Children,” co-presenter, 2/17.

Innovative Learning Environments Conference, Hilliard City School District, “Picture Book Biographies in an Integrated Unit” co-presenter, 8/16.

Mazza Summer Conference, Mazza Museum of International Art from Picture Books, “The Art of the Picture Book Biography,” co-presenter, 7/16, “LGBTQAI+ Picture Books for all Readers,” co-presenter 7/18.

Dublin Literacy Conference, Co-presenter, “Picture Book Biographies in an Integrated Unit,” 3/16.

Ohio Council of Teachers of English Language Arts, “Picture Book Biographies in an Integrated Unit,” co-presenter, 2/16.

Hilliard University, “Websites and Apps as Teacher Resources,” co-presenter, 2/15

American Association of School Librarians, co-presenter, 7/14, 11/15.

Ohio Library Council Conference, “Immersion Workshop: What’s Happening in PreK-12,” co-presenter, 10/13.

Ohio Council of the International Reading Association Conference, “Literacy: Bridging the CORE,” co-presenter, 10/13.

Mazza Summer Conference, Mazza Museum of International Art from Picture Books, “New & Notable Nonfiction,” co-presenter, 7/13.

Summer Academy, Hilliard City School District, “New & Notable Nonfiction,” co-presenter, 6/13.

Virginia Hamilton Multicultural Literature Conference, co-presenter, 4/13, 4/15.

Ohio Council of Teachers of English Language Arts, “Using the Buckeye Children’s and Teen Book Award Nominees to Teach the Common Core,” co-presenter, 3/13.

Ohio Educational Library Media Association Midwinter Conference, “A Rubric on Evaluation,” co-presenter, 3/13.

Space Exploration Educator’s Conference, “Field Trip to Mercury,” co-presenter, 2/13.

Reading Recovery National Conference, “Great New Books K-2,” co-presenter, 1/13.

Ohio Educational Library Media Association Central Region Professional Development, co-presenter annual conference, 10/12.

Hilliard City School District, “Bringing Heroes to Life,” co-presenter, Innovative Learning Conference, 7/12.

Horizon Elementary School, co-presenter, “The Book Whisperer: a Book Talk,” 5/12.

Hilliard City School District, “Smart Board Basics,” co-presenter, 9/11.

Hilliard City School District, “Guys Read and Write: Ways to Energize & Empower Boys as Readers and Writers,” co-presenter, 6/11, 6/12, 6/13.

Science Educators Council of Ohio, “MESSENGER on the Move!” 2/11.

Ohio Educational Library Media Association Central Region Professional Development, co-presenter four-part workshop series on “The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learner,” fall 2010-spring 2011.

Ohio Educational Library Media Association Annual Conference, “Searching for Heroes: Biographies for Children Past and Present,” Authorpalooza & Buckeye Children’s Book Award Presentations, 10/10

Northeast Ohio Regional Library System, Summer Symposium, Kent State University, co-presented “New AASL Information Literacy Standards,” 8/10.

Educational Service Center of Central Ohio/Hilliard City School District, Innovative Learning Environments: Learning & Leading 21<sup>st</sup> Century Practices Conference, co-presented “The Construction of Knowledge Building Centers,” 8/10, 8/15.

Ohio Educational Library Media Association, Mid-Winter Conference, “Skills, Resources and Tools for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,” 3/10.

Ohio Educational Library Media Association, Annual Conference, co-presented “Buckeye Children’s Book Award: What’s the Big Deal?” 10/09.

COSI Columbus, “Science and Literature Connections” & “Teacher Resource Fair,” Summers 2009-2013.

Christa McAuliffe Technology Conference, “NASA’s MESSENGER Mission.” Co-resenter, 12/08.

American Library Association, “Reading and the School Library Media Specialist, K-6,” 1/08, 10/08, 1/09, 3/09.

Dublin Literacy Conference, Co-presenter, “School Library Media Specialist as Reading Teacher,” 2008, 2013.

Dublin Literacy Conference, 2009 & Ohio Educational Library Media Association, 2008, “Space and Earth Science and Literacy? Absolutely!”

Hilliard City School District, Title I presentation, “New Nonfiction Books,” 2007.

Ohio Educational Library Media Association, Annual Conference, “Reading Frantically,” 2006.

American Library Association, AASL, “Good Enough for Prime Time,” New Orleans, 2006.

Bexley City Schools, “Annual Caldecott-Newbery Read-In, “ Bexley, OH, 2005, 2006.

Hilliard City School District, Central Ohio In-Service Day Presentations, 2005, 2006, 2008.

Hilliard City School District, “Internet Treasures,” Hilliard, OH, 2005.

Hilliard City School District, “Motion, Mozart, Media, and Masterpiece,” Hilliard, OH, 2004, 2005.

Hilliard City School District, New Teacher Induction Week, Hilliard, OH, 2002, 2005, 2007.



Hilliard City School District, Understanding by Design, Hilliard, OH, 2005.

Hilliard City School District, Building Improvement Plan, Hilliard, OH 2001-2008.

Wilmington College, "Nonfiction Read Alouds in the Content Areas," Wilmington College Literacy Conference, Wilmington, OH, 2003.

Hilliard Education Foundation, "Author/Illustrator Visits in the Schools," Hilliard, OH, 2000, 2001, 2003.

Hilliard City School Board of Education, "What's New in the Library?" Hilliard, OH, 2000.

Beacon Elementary School Literacy Night, "Books Kids Love to Read," Hilliard, OH, 1999-2000.

Etna Road Elementary School Literacy Night, "Love of Learning," Whitehall, OH, 1998.

North Country Workshop on Writing for Children, "Nonfiction for Children," Watertown, NY, 1998.

Jefferson Community College, children's literature courses, "Quality Picture Books for Children," Watertown, NY, 1996-1998.

Jefferson-Lewis School Library System, Administrator Breakfast, "New School Library Facilities" and "Flexibly Scheduled Primary Programs," Watertown, NY, 1994 & 1998.

Jefferson-Lewis School Library System, Board of Education Night, "Flexibly Scheduled Primary Programs," Watertown, NY, 1996.

North country Library System, A.C.T.I.O.N. workshops, "Library Programming for Kindergartners," Watertown and Canton, NY, 1996.

New York Library Association, School Library Media Section, Spring Conference, "Flexible Scheduling Implementation," Rochester, NY, 1995.

Onondaga/Cortland/Madison School Library System, Administrators' Workshop, "Flexible Scheduling" panel member, Syracuse, 1995.

### **Memberships in Professional Associations and Offices Held**

Membership: USBBY, NCTE, Freedom to Read Foundation

American Library Association, Association for Library Service to Children, and American Association of School Librarians, 1995-present, EMEIRT 2013-present, Young Adult Library Services Association, 2014-present, RainbowRT, SRRT, LIRT, and IFRT 2014-present.

REFORMA, 2014-present

Ohio Educational Library Media Association, 1998-present, Central Region Co-Director, 2013-2014, Co-Chair Awards and Scholarship Committee, 2015-2016, Ohioana Liason, 2015-17, Authors and Bookstore subcommittee 2017.

Choose to Read Ohio, 2015-present.

Ohioana, 2013 –present.

Children’s Literature Assembly, 2014- present.

Ohio Council of Teachers of English Language Arts, 2013-present.

Literacy Connection, 2013-present.

Buckeye Children’s and Teen Book Award Committee, 2008-2013, Treasurer, 2012-2013.

Ohio Council of the International Reading Association, 2012-present.

Instructional Technology Integration Partnerships Ohio, 2011-present.

National Education Association, and state and local affiliate organizations, 1990-present.

New York Library Association, School Library Media Section, 1991-1998, Youth Services Section, 1996-1998.

Jefferson/Lewis Library Association, 1991-1998. Secretary/Treasurer, 1991-1993.

Greater Thousand Islands Reading Council, 1991-1998.

Jefferson-Lewis Teacher Center, 1995-1996.

### **Professional Service**

AASL, Task Force on Role of Reading, 2018-19.

ALA, Awards Committee, 2017-18.

Ohio Department of Education, Social/Emotional Learning Advisory Committee, 2017-18 school year.

OELMA Conference Author Committees, 2017 & 2018.

AASL, Professional Development Focus Group Member, 2015-17.

YALSA, Teen Top Ten Committee, 2016-17.

American Library Association Round Tables: IFRT, Oboler Award Committee, 2015-16; GLBTRT Liaison to SRRT, 2015-16 and 2017 Stonewall Committee (Mike Morgan and Larry Romans Children's and Young Adult Literature Award), 2018 Chair.

Department of Education, Office of Educational Technology, NETP15 Focus Group member, AASL representative, 2/15.

American Library Association, Ethnic & Multicultural Information & Exchange Round Table, Coretta Scott King Committee Member, 2014-present, Award Jury Member, 2015-2017.

American Library Association, Association for Library Service to Children, Notable Books Committee Member, 2006 & 2007; Geisel Award Committee, 2014; Wilder Award Committee Nominee 2018; Randolph Caldecott Committee 2020.

Ohio Educational Library Media Association, Awards & Scholarships Committee, co-chair, 2014-2016.

Ohio Educational Library Media Association, LitCon Committee, 2014-2016.

Hilliard City School District, Science Curriculum Realignment Committee, media specialist representative, 2012 & currently.

Cleveland Public Library, Norman A. Sugarman Children's Biography Award Committee, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018.

Professional Book Talk, Hilliard City School District, "The Book Whisperer," co-chair, 2013-14 school year.

Ohio Educational Library Media Association/Ohio Library Council "Ready to Read" Task Force, 2013.

Hilliard City School District, Literacy Committees, 2007-present.

Supervision of Kent State University Practicum Students, 2012 – present.

Hilliard City School District, Standards Realignment Committee, media specialist representative, 2011.

Hilliard City School District, Student Housing Committee, building representative, 2010-2011.

Hilliard City School District, K82020 Technology & Media Subcommittee, 2008-2009.

Hilliard City School District, Library Software Selection Committee, elementary library media representative, 2008.

Hilliard City School District, Language Arts Curriculum Committee, elementary library media representative, 2007-2009.

Ohio Educational Library Media Association, Authorpalooza Committee, 2006, 2010.

Hilliard City School District, Administrator Interview Committee, 2006.

Basic Schools Coordinator, Alton Darby Elementary School, 2005-2006.

Educational Reports Review Board Member, School of Teaching and Learning, Ohio State University, 2001-2002.

Alton Darby Elementary School, Principal's Advisory Committee, 2002-2003.

Hilliard City School District, Building Improvement Plan Team, 2001-present.

Hilliard City School District, Building Author/Library Committee, Chair, 1999-present.

Beacon Elementary School, Technology Committee, 1999-2001.

Whitehall City School District, Library Media Center Policy Committee, Chair, 1998-1999.

Etna Road Elementary School, Reader's Group, Chair, 1998-1999.

Whitehall City School District, Basic Schools Committee, 1998-1999.

Indian River Central School District, Model Schools Elementary Interdisciplinary Committee, 1996-1998.

New York Library Association's School Library Media Section, Knickerbocker Award committee, 1995-1998.

New York Library Association's School Library Media Section, College Outreach Action Plan Representative, 1996-1998.

Jefferson-Lewis School Library System, Advisory Council, 1994-1998.

Indian River Central School District, Model School Grant Writing Committee, 1995-1996.

Indian River Central School District, New Compact for Learning, 1994-1996.

Indian River Central School District, Effective Schools, 1992-1994.

### **Community Service**

Various capacities in outreach programming through professional associations in the past 15 years.

Chalice Choir, First Unitarian Universalist Church, 2011.

Volunteer tutoring, Ridgewood Elementary School, 2010-2011.

Girl Scout Leader, 2004-2008.

Columbus Children's Choir volunteer, co-choir manager, 2005-2009.

Children's Storyteller, First Unitarian Universalist Church, substitute, 2001-2002.

Children's Story Coordinator, All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church, 1996-1998.

Presentations for Girl Scout & Boy Scout troops, 1996-1997.

### **Awards and Honors**

2020	Junior Library Guild, School Librarian of the Month.
2019	University of Findlay's Mazza Museum, Floyd Dickman Outstanding Librarian Award.
2019	Hilliard Weaver Middle School, peer nominated appreciation award.
2018	OELMA/Follett School Solutions Outstanding School Librarian Award. Ohio Educational Library Media Association.
2018	Scholastic Publishing Award, American Library Association.
2017	Hilliard City School District Walk of Gratitude Award.
2017	Outstanding Service Award, Hilliard Weaver Middle School.

2016	Children and Public Education Award, Ohio Educational Association.
2014	Leadership in Action Award, Ohio Educational Library Media Association.
2013	Finalist, PolarTREC Teacher/Researcher Expedition Selection.
2013	Teachers Touch the Sky Fellowship, California Institute of Technology, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory.
2010	Louise Seaman Bechtel Fellowship, Association of Library Service to Children, division of the American Library Association.
2008-2014	MESSENGER Educator Fellow, NASA.
2007 & 2009	Educator of Excellence, Hilliard High School Alumni Association.
2006	American Association of School Librarians, National School Library Media Program of the Year, District Award Winners.
2005	Floyd C. & Stella T. Dickman Mazza Institute Librarians Endowment winner.
2005	Chancellor's List, inclusion of academic biography.
2003-2006	Phi Kappa Phi, The Ohio State University Chapter.
2003	Laura G. Heichel Memorial Scholarship Fund in Teacher Education, The Ohio State University.
2002	Rolfe E. Wood & Michael L. Wood Memorial Scholarship, The Ohio State University.
2002	Nominee Exceptional Person's Award, Hilliard City School District.
1999	Nominee Etna Road Elementary School Educator of the Year.
1996	New York Library Association's School Library Media Section's Dewey Fellow Award.
1989	Finalist, New York Library Association's Lake Placid Scholarship.
1983-1985	Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, Jefferson Community College.

1985            Inclusion, *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges*,  
1985.

1984            Literature Award and Math Award for Outstanding Student in Non-  
Math/Science Field, Jefferson Community College.

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