

ROBERTA K. BRAVERMAN

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EDUCATION:

CONTINUING EDUCATION: Annual 100+ professional development hours, participant & presenter
Selected as a Gifted Child Society Fellow, attended week long workshops at *Confratute*,
University of Connecticut, July, 2003. Continuing to self educate with professional journals, blogs,
and conferences and workshops, live and online.

AREAS OF STRENGTH AND INTEREST: develop and analyze programs/services for gifted students,
technology in the classroom, student achievement and growth, critical and creative thinking, research,
Differentiation, Gifted education advocate- recognized and honored by state and national gifted
organizations, data driven instruction using Understanding By Design, Language Arts, Reading &
Writer's Workshop, Math enrichment, curriculum coordinator and professional development provider

MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE - Educational Administration - 1995
Rider University, Lawrenceville, NJ degree awarded with honors, references available
Eligible for NJ Principal Certification, Possess NJ Supervisor Certification

GRADUATE COURSES- Gifted Education
Widener University
Adelphi University

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE - Cum Laude - 1973
Temple University, Philadelphia, PA
**Elementary Education Certification K - 8 and Pre-School, highly qualified status in Language
Arts and Social Studies**

EMPLOYMENT:

- 1998- present **Audubon, Riverton, Ewing, Trenton, W. Windsor-Plainsboro, Hillsborough, Southampton
Lumberton Schools, NJEA, NJSBA, NJDOE, NJPSA/FEA**
Consultant, program evaluator, and NJDOE approved professional development provider
- 1988 –June 2014 **Mt. Laurel Public Schools**, Mt. Laurel, NJ Teacher of Gifted Academic Program Grades 1-6,
Language Arts teacher grade six teacher, member of Local Professional Development
Committee , creator/ presenter of professional development workshops, 20+ topics including
Math, Reading, Writing, Differentiation, Research, Technology, Units of Study, STEAM, SGOs, 2e
- 1985 - 1988 **Medford Township Public Schools**, Medford, NJ
Teacher/Coordinator, P.A.C.E. (Program for Academic Compacting and Enrichment)
Gifted and Talented Program, Grades 4 and 5
- 1981 - 1982 **Cherry Hill Public Schools**, Cherry Hill, NJ
Grade 2 teacher, long-term substitute
- 1977 - 1978 Grades K – 6, gifted and talented itinerant teacher, two schools
- 1973 - 1977 Grade 4 classroom team teacher

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PUBLISHED WORKS AND PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

Public Testimonies to NJ State Board of Education: [May 6, 2016](#), [January 3, 2018](#)

Co-authored Op-Ed pieces about gifted education with NAGC Presidents

January 21, 2011 "Schools Cutting From the Top" *NJ Star Ledger*, <http://tiny.cc/lip77>

November 19, 2008. "Gifted Students Need a Hand" *The Philadelphia Inquirer*. <http://tiny.cc/h53iq>

[March is Gifted and Talented Students Month in New Jersey - NJEA](#) *NJEA Review* March 2017

[Article about NCLB impact on G & T, Immigration unit and Ellis Island](#) *New York Times*, April 4, 2006

web content editor, & writes for *Promise*, the newsletter of New Jersey Association for Gifted Children, advocacy article in each quarterly edition www.njagc.org

"Debate: Are Too Many Kids Labeled Gifted?" *NEA Today*, December, 1997

"Addressing the Needs of Academically Gifted Students" *School Leader*, NJSBA, Nov., 1997

"Women's Herstory", *Philadelphia Inquirer*, March 1993 (16-page educational supplement, research process

"Caveat Emptor", *Philadelphia Inquirer*, March 1992 (on consumerism)

Bibliography of women's history sources for teachers and students, grades K – 8 Alice Paul Foundation

Presents gifted education issues to NJSBOE, NJ Legislature, helped to author [NJ Administrative Code](#) in 2000 and 2005 revisions and Frameworks for Gifted Education requirements, initiated [PL 2007 JR-5](#), the Joint Resolution of the New Jersey Legislature declaring every March Gifted Education Month in New Jersey

Presenter for Rider University's [Gifted Education and Creativity Symposium](#) 2016, 2016, 2017, 2018

Presenter at New Jersey School Boards Association annual conference and NJ School Law Conference, Institute for Continuing Legal Education with Michael Kaelber, Esq.

Mount Laurel Public Schools: Local Professional Development Committee- assist with district plan for professional development and new teacher training and mentoring, Strategic Planning Committees / Action Teams: Educational Foundation, School Business Partners, at risk / tutoring, staff evaluation instruments, new school planning, Meeting the needs of all students / Inclusion (Special Education and Gifted) Focus groups: technology, curriculum and instruction, local professional development committee
Co-ordinator / Creator of district wide in-service series of workshops on Critical Thinking, Differentiation

Recipient of school grants for distance learning / teleconferencing and women's history library project

Workshop presenter NJ Education Association, New Jersey Association for Gifted Children, West Jersey Reading Council, New Jersey School Boards Association,

Curriculum / Educational Materials Developer: Alice Paul Institute, NJ Air Victory Museum

Cherry Hill Public Schools: Consultant, committee member, Talented and Gifted Program Evaluation and Development Committee, Language Arts Program Evaluation and Development Committee, Educational Specifications Facilities Planning Committee, parent / community volunteer

PROFESSIONAL AND PERSONAL AFFILIATIONS:

- **New Jersey Association for Gifted Children:** Positions held: President, Vice President Programs (responsible for 2 day conference of 1000 attendees and 30 workshops for educators, parents and students,) Vice President Advocacy, Recording Secretary, Board of Trustees, web site committee chair, annual conference, parent events REACH, and awards committees
- **National Association for Gifted Children**, recognized for outstanding efforts, November 2000 & 2002, member of NAGC Executive Legislative Committee 2004-2012, attends & presents at NAGC conferences and Leadership & Advocacy workshops
- Advocate for gifted education in Trenton and Washington, DC (annual pilgrimage to Congressional Offices) served as NJAGC representative on NJDOEs Stakeholder committee for ESSA, brought issues about gifted to NJDOE about their website and needed guidance to local districts
- Member of advisory board for Rutgers University Continuing Education, Gifted Education program
- Served on the NJ Governor's [Commission to Study Gifted Programs](#)
- Commissioned Member of the Board of Overseers, *NJ Governor's School*
- Delta Kappa Gamma, International, Society of Outstanding Women Educators
- Alice Paul Centennial Foundation, Girls' Leadership Committee, Alice Paul Institute- Advocacy committee
- **Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development**
- Retired N.E.A., N.J.E.A., B.C.E.A., M.L.E.A. Association representative, elected R.A. delegate, six+ conferences, addressed 10,000 delegates in two consecutive years, to propose new business items related to gifted education, "ghost writer" for [book by NEA President Bob Chase](#) chapter on gifted for parents.