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## "I teach to make a difference!"

## **Professional Biography**

Carla Cushman is a career educator whose interests include professional development and instructional coaching. She has served as a teacher, assistant principal, principal, professional development coordinator, instructional coaching facilitator, state-level director of teacher and leader development, and college professor. She is the co-author of *How to Build an Instructional Coaching Program for Maximum Capacity* (Corwin, 2012). She enjoys spending time with her family, cooking, reading, and listening to bluegrass music.

### **Lessons Learned**

- ➤ Change happens.
- > Flexibility is key.
- ➤ Don't be afraid of new ideas.

#### **Favorite Resources**

#### **Books**

- ➤ Barkley, S.G. (2011). Quality Teaching in a Culture of Coaching. http://barkleypd.com/resources/books
- ➤ Doubet, K. & Hockett, J. (2015). Differentiation in Middle & High School.
  - http://a.co/8A2HFpo (on Amazon.com)
- ➤ Knight, J. (2015). Better Conversations. Coaching Ourselves and Each Other to Be More Credible, Caring, and Connected. https://us.corwin.com/en-us/nam/book/better-conversations
- Rosebrough, T.R. & Leverett, R.G. (2011). Transformational Teaching in the Information Age: Making How and Why We Teach Relevant to Students.
  - http://www.ascd.org/publications/books/110078.aspx

#### **Quotes**

"With perserverence, the snail entered the ark!"

— Church Sign

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