

James E. Kerr

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Education

**2018-2019 Michigan State University. East Lansing. Michigan
Master of Arts in Educational Technology**

**1978-1981 Oral Roberts University. Tulsa, Oklahoma
Bachelor of Science (Biology)**

Chemistry Minor

**1973 - 1977 Butler University. Indianapolis, Indiana
Bachelor of Music Education - (Instrumental, Vocal)**

Certifications

National Board of Professional Teachers Certification:

Early Adolescent Science

Ohio Department of Education

7-12 Biological Science, General Science, Earth Science, Special
K-12 Music

Professional Experience

2005 - present, Defiance City Schools, Defiance, Ohio

Biology (Grade 10), Physics (Grade 11-12) Physical Science
(Grade 9)

2005, Northwest State Community College, Archbold. Ohio

Adjunct Instructor, Microbiology

2013, Defiance College. Defiance, Ohio

Adjunct Instructor, Science Methods

2002-2003 Tulsa Community College, Tulsa Oklahoma

Adjunct Instructor. Music Appreciation

1993-2005 Union Public Schools, Tulsa. Oklahoma

Earth Science, Biology, Physical Science Teacher

Gifted and Talented Earth Science Teacher

Advanced Biology

On Level: Physical Science, Biology, Earth Science

**Professional
Experience (continued)**

1981-1993 Oral Roberts University

1990-1993, Adjunct Faculty, Oral Roberts University
(Speech Communication, Health Fitness I and II)
1984-1993. Swimming And Diving Head Coach (NCAA
Division I and NAIA), Academic Advisor for Athletes,
Oral Roberts University, 1981-1985, Admissions Officer,
Assistant Director For Recruiting

**Recent Professional
Activities**

**Oklahoma Teacher of the Year 2003, Oklahoma Ambassador
for Education**

**“No Child Left Behind” Teacher of the Year Conference,
Washington DC with Secretary of Education, Rod Paige, 2004**
**NCATE Evaluation team, Oral Roberts University, Spring
2004**

Oklahoma Governor’s Transition Task Force 2003

**Oklahoma Space Industry Development Authority:
Ambassador For Space Education 2003**

**American Geological Institute CUES National Curriculum
Pilot 2003**

**Additional
Professional
Experience**

Harcourt Brace Earth Science Textbook Evaluator 2003

District Professional Development Representative 1997-2000
Planned professional development events for the Union Public
Schools, coordinated activities and professional development
records at the Eighth Grade Center.

**Science Representative to Building Technology Committee
1997-2005**

Coordinated the spending of technology bond funds for the
Eighth Grade Center, coordinated building technology usage.

Drug Free Youth Eighth Grade Sponsor 1995-2000 - Planned
and organized Red Ribbon Week activities, Tobacco Education
Week, Elementary Outreach, Drug screenings for Eighth Grades,
social events for Drug Free Youth Organization.

Character Counts Committee Representative 2000-2004 - Plan
events to support the Union District Character Counts
Curriculum. Each month, one 'Pillar of character' provides a
theme for the students.

Young Astronauts Club Sponsor 1997-2005 - Planned field
trips, guest speakers, elementary outreach.

Professional

Roots and Shoots Environmental Club Sponsor 1997-2005 -
Coordinated paper recycling program for the Eighth Grade

**Experience
(continued)**

Center, Christmas tree recycling, outdoor classroom development, Earth Week festivities.

GT Eighth Grade Committee Representative – 1997-2000

Planned and coordinated academic and extracurricular activities for the GT (Gifted and Talented) program; including progressive dinner, Mars Project, field trips.

Books From the Heart Sponsor 1999 Initiated a program to support the Media Center, connecting student, parent, and teacher resources.

Community Activities

President, Wauseon Downtown Association, 2013-present, Senior Choir and Bell Choir Director, Wauseon Trinity Lutheran Church- 2014- present, Choir Director, Wauseon First Christian Church, Disciples of Christ, Minister of Music, 2007-20012, Second Presbyterian Church, Tulsa Oklahoma 1993-2004, Director and Founder, Wauseon Choral Society 2004, Professional Singing: Tulsa Opera 1995-2002, Bravo - Adam's Mark, Tulsa, Oklahoma 1993. Medical Mission Team, Jerusalem, Israel, 1979.

Interests

College football, Competitive Swimming, Church work, Tennis, Gardening, Fruit Farming, Float building, Arts and Crafts Furniture, Reading, Local History, Family History, Collies and Labrador Retrievers, "This Old House", English Comedy, Poetry. Space Exploration.

Awards

Oklahoma Teacher of the Year 2003

Phi Kappa Psi - Solon E. Summerfield Award for Leadership and Academic Excellence, Boy Scouts of America, Eagle Scout.

References

References available upon request.