



SLYPN Peer Mentor

Susan Abravanel

Current Position and Organization

Education Director, SOLV

City, State

Hillsboro, OR

Biography

- Designed, developed and implemented service-learning programs and partnerships with Oregon schools and communities statewide
- Established an ongoing partnership with the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to introduce and institutionalize service-learning practice in Oregon school districts; represented the “community partner” in various ODE colloquia and meetings
- Prepared and presented professional development events for educators and community members at the school, district and state level in service-learning and building school-community partnerships
- Wrote curricula meeting Oregon K-12 academic standards and graduation requirements, including materials addressing youth leadership, special needs and Latino students
- Presented regularly at local, statewide and national service-learning conferences
- Established national profile as expert resource in building community partnerships, through ongoing commitment to research, writing and training on the topic; authored **Building Community through Service-Learning: the Role of the Community Partner**. Denver, CO: Compact for Learning and Citizenship, Education Commission of the States, April 2003 (available at www.ecs.org/clearinghouse/44/03/4403.pdf)
- **Education**
 - Harvard University, Ed.M, Education and Social Policy Analysis (1982); York University, M.A., History and Literature (Toronto, Canada) (1971); York University, B.A., Honors History and English (1969)

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