

Gary Dean Cunningham

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Education:

Educational Leadership (Principal) Certification – Midwestern State University - 2006

Master of Ed., Post Graduate **Minor in Biology** – Midwestern State University –1998

Bachelor of Science (Agriculture Science Education) – Texas Tech University – 1984

Professional Certifications:

- Biology, Life & Earth Science, Elementary, Agriculture
- Gifted & Talented Instructor
- Vocational Trades & Industry
- Certified Welding Instructor (SMAW & GTAW)
- American Welding Society Certified Welding Educator
- Hunter Safety Certified Instructor
- Level II ASNT Visual Welding Inspector
- OSHA 501 Trainer

Experience:

2018 - 2022 – Science Education Professor West College of Education Midwestern State University

2014 – 2018 – Welding Instructor Carrigan Career Center Wichita Falls ISD

2017 WFISD Teacher of the Year

2017 Region 9 Teacher of the Year

Wrote test questions for TEA for CTE teacher certification

Ad hoc instructor for Region 9 ESC

North American Welding Group Committee Chair

2013 – 2014 – Welding Instructor Dubiski Career High School Grand Prairie ISD

2011 – 2013 - Ag-Science Instructor Rider High School Wichita Falls ISD

Bridwell Foundation \$50,000 Grant Recipient

Grainger \$5,000 Grant Recipient

Wrote lesson plans for University of North Texas

2003 – 2009 - Mechanical Engineering Technology Instructor

Midwestern State University

Responsible for: Metals instruction lab

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2002 – 2011 Welding Instructor Carrigan Career Center Wichita Falls ISD

Responsible for: Welding I & II instruction

Wrote Subchapter M: Manufacturing TEKS for TEA

Texas Educational Chair for Welding Instructors

Welding Seminar Instructor for TIVA

Welding Seminar Instructor for Texas Parks and Wildlife

Dist. Teacher of the Year Nominee 2 years

Mentor for WFISD first year teachers

ATPE Building Representative

IDEA Grant Winner

TIVA Scholarship Recipient

Teacher Leadership Cohort

2000 -- 2002 Science Teacher & Football Coach McNiel Junior High Wichita Falls ISD

Responsible for: 8th grade pre AP Science instruction

7th grade head Football coach with 4 assistants

Site Based Decision Making team member

State level TEKS Team Trainer

1993 – 2000 Science Teacher & Football Coach Barwise Junior High Wichita Falls ISD

Responsible for: 8th grade pre AP Science instruction

8th grade “A” team Football

- Area-wide Teacher of the Month

1992 --1993 Science Teacher Alamo Elementary Wichita Falls ISD

Responsible for: 5th & 6th grade Science

1990 – 1992 Science Teacher & Football Coach Notre Dame School Wichita Falls

Responsible for: AP Anatomy & Physiology (High School)

Biology & Physical Science instruction (High School)

6th, 7th, 8th grade Science instruction

Middle and High School Football assistant