

Susan Engelmann is a consultant whose work focuses on professional development opportunities for administrator and teacher leaders especially as it relates to their role in supporting effective smaller learning communities. Susan taught math and technology-related courses prior to becoming the Coordinator of Career and Technical Programs in the Kansas City, Kansas Public School District from 1999-2005. During that time she developed Career and Technical Education Programs with the goal of preparing high school students to become college and career ready. As the Executive Director of Secondary Programs from 2006-2009, Susan saw State Assessment Scores in math and reading rise dramatically in the high schools. She credits this accomplishment to the hard work of the high school Leadership Teams and the teacher-leaders who worked within a small learning community model to better know and believe in their students. She is a strong proponent of insuring that students exit high school having earned initial college credit necessary to provide the confidence to pursue their post-secondary aspirations, and works to connect secondary and post-secondary institutions to create more opportunities. Susan is now a full-time consultant living in the Kansas City Metro area.