

## **Laura (Katy) Bennett**

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### **Education**

University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX

M.A. in History, 2008

Thesis topic: Urban Boosterism in Texas in the late Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Centuries

University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson Texas

Post-Baccalaureate Teaching Certification Program, completed 1998

Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA

B.A. in History, 1996

### **Experience**

Teacher, West Mesquite High School, Mesquite ISD, Mesquite, TX (August 1998-Present)

- DC US History, AP US History, US History, Academic Decathlon
- Social Studies Department Chair (2008-Present)
- Lead US History Teacher (2014-Present)
- Mesquite ISD Curriculum writing team, U.S. History (2014-2015)

Facilitator, Student Centered Classroom for New Teacher Academy, Mesquite ISD Professional Development Center (2018)

Facilitator, Formative Assessment Course for ETIP, Mesquite ISD Professional Development Center (2017-present)

Presented at the Region 10 Advanced Academics Conference (July 2016) – Differentiation in the AP Classroom: How Can I Better Serve GT and ELL Students in My AP Class?

### **Texas Teaching Certifications**

Secondary History

Government

Secondary English

### **Professional Development**

- College Board AP Summer Institute, AP US History (June 2018)
- Humanities Texas Teacher Institute, The Cold War (June 2017)
- Excellence in Teaching Incentive Program (ETIP), Mesquite ISD (2016-Present)
- College Board Two Day Training for AP US History (December 2016)
- Gilder Lehrman Teacher Seminar, United States Foreign Policy since 1898 (June 2015)
- Humanities Texas Teacher Institute, America in the 1960s (June 2014)
- College Board AP Summer Institute, AP US History (June 2013)
- Humanities Texas Teacher Institute, The Making of Modern America (June 2011, June 2012)
- Numerous one/two day sessions from Humanities Texas and College Board to holding Socratic seminars.