

Affiliate directors retiring

TERRI ILES has retired as executive director of Learning Forward Texas. During her six-year tenure, she not only led the learning agenda and events of the largest Learning Forward affiliate, but also launched a satellite North Texas affiliate and mentored and supported the launch of the new Oklahoma affiliate.

Iles has shared her energy, commitment, and enthusiasm for professional learning and for the Learning Forward affiliates by volunteering at numerous Annual Conferences and Learning Forward events.

To all of this work, she brought more than 30 years of experience as

a teacher, principal, coordinator of professional development, coordinator of quality learning, and college tutor. The new executive director of Learning Forward Texas is Lisa Ham.

SHERRI HOUGHTON recently retired as Learning Forward Ohio's executive director after serving in that role for 14 years. Houghton joined the Ohio affiliate in 2004, served as president in 2005-06, and became executive director as a pilot program in 2006.

Her accomplishments include establishing an Ohio academy for coaches, stabilizing the affiliate finances, and bringing instructional coaches



and active classroom teachers on to the board. The new Learning Forward Ohio executive director is Susan Drake. Houghton will continue on as a board member.

LEARNING FORWARD STAFF UPDATES

Learning Forward has promoted several staff members.

Tom Manning, formerly vice president of consulting management and services, is now senior vice president, professional services. Manning has been with Learning Forward for 11 years, serving in a variety of positions. In this new role, Manning will lead Learning Forward's efforts to support schools, districts, states, and provinces.

Anthony Armstrong is now senior vice president of marketing & communications. Armstrong has served in several capacities during his 10 years with Learning Forward. In

addition to his previous marketing responsibilities, Armstrong oversees the ongoing improvement of our website and selection and implementation of an LMS platform and virtual event platform.

Kristin Buehrig is now senior director, conferences and institutes. In her new position, Buehrig will continue her lead role with the Learning Forward Academy and the Annual Conference as we transfer to a virtual format.

Anne Feaster-Smith is now senior director, controller, building on her 5½ years in accounting and finance at Learning Forward.

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