

## **Nancy Jackson**

### **Continuous Improvement Instructional Specialist for English Language Arts & the Arts Nevada County Superintendent of Schools**

Nancy Jackson began her career in 1993 in Southern California. From the outset, Nancy searched out opportunities to grow as an educator through extensive training and honed her skills in all content areas including a variety of Arts methodology. She taught fourth and fifth grade and developed a love of supporting & mentoring other teachers. In 1998 Nancy was asked to fill the district role of Literacy Resource Teacher, where she expanded her repertoire in Language Arts and grew as a professional developer of Kindergarten through 8th grade teachers & their administrators. During this stage of her career, she pursued and obtained her Masters of Arts in Education Administration. After four years as a Literacy Resource Teacher, Nancy decided to return to the classroom at a Title I school teaching second through fourth grades for the next 16 years. During these years, Nancy served in a variety of leadership roles. She has been involved in curriculum mapping and integrated unit planning using NGSS, piloting standards based report cards, PBIS & PLC leadership, instructional leadership, and highly trained in Cognitively Guided Instruction Math pedagogy, writing, social studies and guided reading. In 2017, she was hired to be a full release Induction Mentor where she became fluent in the California Standards for the Teaching Profession - the guide of teaching pedagogy. Nancy mentored teachers from TK through twelfth grades, in all subjects, including the Arts. Instructional coaching became her new passion. She experienced high level instructional coaching training through Mentoring Matters group, South Bay Coaching Academy, New Teacher Center, and the California Induction Conferences. In 2021, Nancy and her family made the move to Nevada County where she found herself in the role of Literacy Instructional Coach at Union Hill School District. This Fall, Nancy accepted the role of Continuous Improvement Instructional Specialist for English Language Arts & the Arts. She is excited to be a part of NCSoS and serve the schools, teachers and students of Nevada County. Nancy sees rich Literacy and Arts programs as vehicles to uniquely engage our learners and enable them to thrive as people and students and will support teachers in the integration of the Arts into their lessons. Her passion lies in supporting teachers' growth in their teaching practice in Literacy, the Arts, & beyond!