

# **Dwight L. Mott**

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Date of Birth: February 2, 1966  
United States Citizen

- ❖ **Certified Teacher of Social Studies, Spanish and French with nine years experience in a Middle School / High School setting and a proven record of leadership.**

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## **Personal Qualifications**

- Skilled at bringing together a diversity of highly participatory, hands-on activities to create a student-centered, active and varied learning environment.
- Up to date on innovations in Middle Level Education, Cooperative Learning, Authentic Assessment, Instructional Technology and Interdisciplinary Teaming.
- Comfortable with people and settings around the world. Have traveled, lived and studied throughout Latin America, Africa and Europe.
- A personal and professional commitment to the Total Quality Management principle of continuous improvement and an eagerness to get involved in the school community.

## **Education**

- **Master of Science in Education – Social Studies**  
State University of New York at Oneonta 1997
- **Bachelor of Arts**  
Major in Spanish Language and Literature, 7-12  
State University of New York at Oneonta 1992
- **LSI – Language Studies Institute - Paris, France**  
180 hours of intensive French Language 1993

## **Certification**

- **New York State Education Department, Office of Teaching**  
Spanish (7-12) 1992  
French (7-12) 1993  
Social Studies (7-12) 1997

## **Professional Development**

- *Middle Level Education: “Tools of the Trade” for Practitioners*, Walt Grebing.
- *Teaching in the Block*, Silver and Strong, Associates.
- *Study Skills Across the Curriculum*, Patricia Shouts Olson
- *Portfolios: Linking Authentic Assessment with Instruction*, Jerry Reynolds
- *Improving the Supervision of Instruction*, Dr. Thomas McGreal
- Over 150 additional hours of Professional Development and Continuing Education, including: Cooperative Learning, Instructional Technology, Inclusion, Alternative Assessment and Interdisciplinary Teaming.

- Professional Experience**
- Teacher – Social Studies, Grade 7; Theatre Arts, Grades 9-12** 1997 – present  
*Bainbridge-Guilford Central Schools, Bainbridge, New York*
- Developed a new American History curriculum for 7<sup>th</sup> grade, with a focus on Social and Economic History and Geography, in line with new state standards.
  - Participated as the lead member of the 7<sup>th</sup> grade interdisciplinary team.
  - Initiated and designed several interdisciplinary units.
  - Provided a multitude of real-world experiences, including field trips, guest speakers, special programs and experiential learning opportunities.
  - Collaborated with peers in implementing and coordinating Middle School-wide study skills, advisory and reading programs.
  - Created and taught a credit-bearing course in Theatre Arts for High School students.
- Teacher – Spanish and French, Grades 6-12**  
*Bainbridge-Guilford Central Schools, Bainbridge, New York.* 1992 – 1997
- Taught Spanish and French, grades 6-12, Beginner to College Level.
  - Led a highly successful Middle School language program in which over 90% of eighth graders were granted accelerated high school credit by New York State.
  - Coordinated an annual, school-wide celebration of Foreign Languages & Cultures.
  - As Advisor to the Spanish Club, assisted students in the planning and fruition of various cultural activities, special events, fund-raisers and trips abroad.
  - Trained teachers in the use of computer hardware and software.
- Related Work Experience**
- Total Quality Management Trainer / Material Handler**  
*The At-A-Glance Group, Sidney, New York* 1991
- Presented the philosophy of Total Quality Management to nearly all of the 1000+ employees of this leading manufacturer of dated office products.
- General Manager, Rooms Division Manager, Front Office Manager**  
*Universal Hotels, Alexandria, Virginia* 1987-1989
- Directed all departments in day to day operations of a busy full-service hotel.
  - Performed a variety of duties including: budgeting and accounting; hiring, training and evaluating employees; marketing and public relations.
  - As a proven trouble-shooter, assigned temporarily to several properties throughout the northeastern United States.
  - Trained employees throughout the organization in industry innovations and delivering superior customer service.

<b>Leadership</b>	Middle School Committee, Member	1992-1996
	Facilities Committee, Member	1992-1994
	Budget Advisory Committee, Teacher Representative	1993-1996
	District Crisis Management Team, Member	1994-present
	Shared Decision Making Team, Elected Member	1996-1998
	Professional Development Planning Committee, Member	1999-present
	Bainbridge-Guilford Teachers' Association, President	2000-present

**Honors** Bainbridge-Guilford Middle School "Man of the Year," 1997.  
 Tri-County area "Citizen of the Year," 2000.  
 Publication: "Be Careful What You Wish For!" *DCMO BOCES Technology Newsletter, Spring, 2000.*

**Extra Curricular Activities** **Drama Club Advisor**  
*Bainbridge-Guilford Central Schools, Bainbridge, New York* 1995-present

- Organized and fostered a new extra-curricular drama program for Middle School and High School students.
- Produced and directed 3-4 professional-quality productions each year, including "The Sound of Music", "The Foreigner", "The Mouse that Roared", "Anne Frank & Me" and "Little Shop of Horrors."

**Soccer Coach**  
*Bainbridge-Guilford Central Schools, Bainbridge, New York* 1993-present

- Partnered with a colleague to introduce an inter-scholastic boys soccer program.
- Coached at the modified level (grades 7-8) for seven years, laying the foundation for a program which has captured a division title at the varsity level this year.

<b>International Experience</b>	Bolivia (Rotary Exchange Student)	1983-1984
	Congo (Brazzaville)	1992
	Portugal and Spain	1992
	France	1993
	Mexico	1994, 1997
	Rwanda	1995, 1996

<b>Referees</b>	Mrs. Ellen O'Donnell Assistant Superintendent Chenango Forks Central Schools Binghamton, NY 13901 607-648-7540 <a href="mailto:odonnelle@cforks.org">odonnelle@cforks.org</a> (B-G Principal: 1992-1997)	Mrs. Michelle Shirkey Principal Greenlawn Elementary School Bainbridge, NY 13733 607-967-6328 <a href="mailto:bgmichelle@yahoo.com">bgmichelle@yahoo.com</a> (B-G Principal: 1997-2000)
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*Additional references upon request.*