

**Illinois Science Teachers Association Election Application For Region 4**

**Kristin Camp**

School where you teach: Champaign School District r, Champaign

**Education:**

Master of Education – Educational Administration (1998)

Bachelor of Science in Education – Elementary Education from Eastern Illinois University, Charleston (1988)

**Professional Affiliations:**

National Science Teacher’s Association

Illinois Science Teacher’s Association

National Science Education Leadership Association

Illinois Science Leadership Association

American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance

Illinois Federation of Teachers

Environmental Education Association of Illinois

**Awards and Recognition:**

Participant in Natural Hazard Mitigation in Japan Grant, funded by the National Science Foundation, 2003.

Danville Public Schools Outstanding Teacher, 1990.

North Ridge Middle School PTA Distinguished Service Scroll, 1991.

Education Honoraries: Kappa Delta Pi, Alpha Sigma Lambda.

Mary Miller Scholarship (top award at DACC).

Danville Area Community College Alumni Association Award.

Delta Kappa Gamma Scholarship.

Dean’s List: University of Illinois and DACC.

Vermilion County Audubon Society Connecticut Ecology Camp Scholarship, 1995.

Bob Bales Conservation Grant, 1992.

Who’s Who Among American’s Teachers, 1998, 5<sup>th</sup> Edition.

**Work Experience:**

- Champaign K–12 Science and Health Curriculum Coordinator 2006 – Present
- Instructor, Teacher Expectation & Student Achievement, Champaign 2007 – 2008
- Principal of Carrie Busey Elementary School, Champaign 2005 – 2006
- Enrichment Specialist, Champaign Middle Schools 2004 – 2005
- Mentor to Teachers, Champaign 2004-2009
- Sixth & Seventh Grade Science Teacher, Jefferson MS, Champaign 2002 – 2004
- Principal, Minooka Intermediate School, Minooka 1999-2002
- Fifth Grade Teacher, Liberty (Danville) Elementary School 1993 -1999
- Sixth and Eighth Grade Science Teacher, North Ridge (Danville)MS 1988 – 1993
- Instructor, College For Kids, Danville Community College 1996 – 1998

**Additional experience:**

2011: Project Learning Tree Facilitator Training

2010 and 2011: Attended the Entrepreneurial Leadership in STEM Teaching and Learning: EnLIST Summer Institute at the University of Illinois, Champaign, IL

2009: Conference Committee for the Midwest Environmental Education Conference, Champaign, IL

2008: Professional Learning Communities Institute, Lincolnshire, IL

2008: Understanding by Design Institute, ASCD, New Orleans, LA

2007-2008: Science ISAT Reviewer, Illinois State Board of Education, Springfield, IL

2007: Science Next Step Institute, Tucson, AZ

2007: Differentiating Instruction Conference, ASCD, Salt Lake City, UT  
2006-2007: Cognitive Coaching Training, Champaign, IL  
2006: Teacher Expectations & Student Achievement (TESA) Coordinator Training  
2006: Nanotechnology Teacher Institute at the University of Illinois, Urbana campus.  
2005: Presenter at the Chancellor's Summer Academy, College of Education, UIUC.  
2004: Illinois Gifted Level I & II Certification.  
2001, 2002, 2004, 2006: Presenter at the University of Illinois Alumni Career Speaker's Bureau Series, Urbana, Illinois.

**Rationale for serving:**

I have served as the K-12 Science & Health Curriculum Coordinator for Champaign School District Unit 4 for five years. During that time I have realized the value of belonging to a strong professional association. One of the most valuable resources the Illinois Science Teachers Association can provide is an opportunity to network with other professionals in your area of expertise. The contacts I have made as a result of networking at the ISTA State Conference and other related meetings have helped me grow as a professional and provided me and my colleagues with opportunities to participate in curriculum and assessment work with professionals in other parts of the state. However, there is still a need to develop this sort of professional networking and relationships in our region of the state. As a regional director, I would like to initiate a regional network of science teacher/leaders that can share and learn from one another as we implement the upcoming new science standards and assessments.