

**Lisa J. Polk, Ed. D.**

**Curriculum Vitae**

**EDUCATION**

Sam Houston State University Ed. D. Literacy	2017-20
Sam Houston State University M. Ed. Reading	2012
Sam Houston State University B. A. in Teaching – Cum Laude	1990

**ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

University Teaching

*Lamar University*, Teacher Education 2024-Current  
Course: Content Area Reading PEDG-5375

*Texas A&M University-San Antonio*, College of Education and Human Development 2024-Current  
Courses: Early Literacy & Language EDRG-3315  
Disciplinary Literacy EDRG-3331  
Language Arts Methods EDRG-4349  
Literacy Assessment & Intervention EDRG-5355  
Digital Literacy EDRG-5327

*Angelina College*, English Department  
Course: Adjunct Instructor – Integrated Reading and Writing 2013-17

K-12 Education Experience

Curriculum Specialist - Reading Language Arts/Social Studies K-12 2016-22  
Livingston ISD

Reading Language Arts/Social Studies Teacher – 5th Grade 2015-16  
Onalaska Elementary, Onalaska ISD

Department Head – Special Education 2012-15  
Resource English, Co-teach English, Dyslexia teacher, Teacher mentor, coaching 2004-15  
Livingston High School Livingston, ISD

Resource English Language Arts – 7th – 8th Grade, coaching 2002-04  
Livingston Jr. High School, Livingston ISD

Resource English Teacher, Adaptive Behavior, coaching Katy High School, Katy ISD	2001-02
Resource English Teacher, Inclusion Teacher, Life Skills/Adaptive Behavior PE, Content Mastery, homebound teacher, coaching Conroe High School, Conroe ISD	1991-2001
Athletic Coach and Physical Education Teacher K-12 <sup>th</sup> Grade Lifestyle Christian School, Conroe, Texas	1988-1990

## HONORS & AWARDS

Doctorate in Literacy Scholarship    Excellence in Teaching Sam Houston State University	2020
Teacher of the Year – Livingston High School	2010

## PUBLICATIONS

Polk, L. J. (2020). *An Implementation of Guided Reading in Elementary Schools* (Doctoral dissertation, Sam Houston State University).

### Refereed

Ives, S. T., Parsons, S. A., Parsons, S. W., Robertson, D. A., Daoud, N., Young, C. & Polk, L. (2020). Elementary students' motivation to read and genre preferences. *Reading Psychology, 41*(5), 1-20. <https://doi.org/10.1080/02702711.2020.1783143>

Young, C., Polk, L., Durham, P., & Kerbs, M. (2020). The boys are back and they're looking for drama. *Texas Journal of Literacy Education, 8*(1), 112-125.

## PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

### National/International

Polk, L. (2024, November 7-9 Accepted) *Breaking through language barriers with interactive literacy approaches* [Conference session]. ALER 2024 Conference, Orlando, Florida.

Polk, L. (2024, March 17-20). *Maximizing reading engagement with motivating, relevant, and active learning experiences* [Conference session]. COABE 2024 National Conference Adult Education in Harmony, Nashville, Tennessee.

Polk, L. (2023, November 10-11). *Motivating readers and maximizing learning with engaging reading approaches* [Paper presentation]. 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Literacy Association of Ireland Conference, Dublin, Ireland.

Polk, L. (2023, November 10-11). *An implementation of guided reading in elementary schools* [Poster presentation]. 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Literacy Association of Ireland Conference, Dublin, Ireland.

Polk, L.(2023, May 10-12). *Engaging reading praxis increases reading skills, motivation, and content knowledge*. [Conference session]. 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Florida Literacy Conference, Daytona Beach Shores, FL, United States.

Young, C. Rasinski, T., & Polk, L. (2020, October 15-18). *The boys are back and they're looking for drama*. [Conference session]. ILA 2020 Conference, Columbus, OH, United States. (Conference canceled)

### **Regional/Local**

Polk, L. (2024, May 16). *Using QR codes in learning quests to access texts, motivate reading, and maximize learning* [Conference session]. Region 1 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Technology Conference, South Padre Island, TX, United States.

Polk, L. (2020, June 15). *Making lemonade out of lemons: Innovative educational ideas during crises* [Conference session]. Region 5 Integrating Technology VirCON, Beaumont, TX, United States.

### **State/Local**

Polk, L. (2024, August 21) Strategies for struggling readers & students with special learning needs [Professional development online session]. Texas Center for the Advancement of Literacy & Learning (TCALL), College Station, Texas.

Polk, L. (2024, July 30-31) *Incorporating relevant content and skills with interactive literacy approaches* [Conference session]. 2024 Literacy Texas Annual Conference, Literacy & Beyond, San Marcos, Texas.

Polk, L. (2024, March 1-2). Engage, connect, and maximize learning through interactive literacy approaches [Breakout session]. 2024 TALE Conference, The Heart of Literacy Connects Us, Baylor University, Waco, Texas. <https://www.texasreaders.org/tale-conference.html>

*HB3 Texas Reading Academies*. (August 2020-May 2021). Professional learning for RLA teachers/principals of K-3. In-district.

## **PROFESSIONAL LEARNING WORKSHOPS**

*Guided Reading On-campus Sessions*. (September 2020). Professional learning for RLA elementary teachers. In-district.

*Balanced Literacy Best Practices in Reading Writing Workshop*. (September 2020). Professional learning for RLA secondary teachers. In-district.

*2019 Summer Professional Development: 1st-2nd Reading Writing Workshop.* (June 2019). Professional learning for RLA teachers. In-district.

*2019 Summer Professional Development: K-2 RLA Planning with TEKS Resource System.* (June 2019). Professional learning for RLA teachers. In-district.

*2019 Summer Professional Development: 3rd-5th Reading Writing Workshop.* (June 2019). Professional learning for RLA teachers. In-district.

*2019 Summer Professional Development: 3-5 RLA Planning with TEKS Resource System.* (June 2019). Professional learning for RLA teachers. In-district.

*2019 Summer Professional Development: 6th-12th Reading Writing Workshop.* (July 2019). Professional learning for RLA teachers. In-district.

*2019 Summer Professional Development: Balanced Literacy/ Reading Writing Workshop.* (July 2019). Professional learning for RLA teachers. In-district.

*2019 Summer Professional Development: Principals/Assistant Principals Balanced Literacy/ Reading Writing Workshop.* (July 2019). Professional learning for administrators. In-district.

*2019 Summer Professional Development: Kindergarten Reading Writing Workshop.* (August 2019). Professional learning for RLA teachers. In-district.

*2019 Back-to-School-Sessions: RLA Reading Writing Workshop.* (August 2019). Professional learning for RLA teachers. In-district.

*JH Social Studies TEKS Update.* (May 2019). Professional learning for junior high Social Studies teachers. In-district.

*HS Social Studies TEKS Update.* (May 2019). Professional learning for high school Social Studies teachers. In-district.

*2020 Summer Professional Development.* (June 2021). Secondary Literacy Instructional Practices & Engaging Learning Experiences. In-district.

*New Teachers Fountas & Pinnell Literacy Continuum Series.* (August-September 2019-2022). Professional learning for RLA Kindergarten-7<sup>th</sup> grade teachers new to district. In-district.

*2022 Summer Professional Development.* (June 2022). Engaging Literacy Learning Experiences & Instructional Practices. Professional Learning for RLA 4<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> teachers. In-district.

*2022 Summer Professional Development.* (June 2022). Engaging Literacy Learning Experiences & Instructional Practices. Professional Learning for Boys & Girls Club staff. In-district.

2022 Summer Professional Development. (July 2022). 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies & RLA Planning. In-district.

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE) Day on the Hill Invited participant of the SHSU Team	2019
District Advisory Committee (DAC)	2016-2020
Academic UIL Event Judge	2016-2022
Crisis Intervention Committee	1999-2001
Site-based Committee	1993-1995
Special Olympic Event Volunteer	1991-2001

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Benevolence Church Team Leader	2023-2024
Livingston Piecemakers Quilt Guild Education Committee Leader	2024-Present
Livingston Piecemakers Quilt Guild Service Projects & Quilt Show	2023-Present
Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Processing Center – Dallas, TX	2023-2024
Boys & Girls Club Implementation of Engaging Literacy Instruction	2022
Youth Church Services and Events	2020-Present

### **CERTIFICATIONS**

HB3 Texas Reading Academies English Language Arts Cohort Leader	2019-2021
The Executive Education Academy: A Program offered by Rice Business Executive Education in Collaboration with Leadership Partners	2020
CITI Human Subjects Research (SBE) Foundations	2018-Present
Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System (T-TESS)	2017-Present
Texas ASCD Curriculum Leadership Academy	2017
Curriculum Management Audit Training Level 1	2016
Generalist Grades (EC-6)	2015-Present

Reading Specialist Grades (EC-12)	2012-Present
English as a Second Language Supplemental	2012-Present
Secondary Generic Special Education	1990-Present
All-Level Physical Education	1990-Present

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE) member	1991-2023
International Literacy Association (ILA) member	2010-Present
Texas Association for Literacy Education (TALE) member	2018-Present
Kappa Delta Pi International Honor Society/SHSU KDP member	2018-Present
Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers (ALER) member	2019-Present
Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD)	2019-Present
The Society for Collegiate Leadership & Achievement member	2020-Present
National Council of Teachers of English	2022-Present
American Educational Research Association (AERA)	2022-Present
Literacy Association of Ireland	2023-2024

**RECENT CONFERENCES ATTENDED**

Region 1 29 <sup>th</sup> Annual Technology Conference 2024, South Padre Island, TX	2024
Texas Association of Literacy Education (TALE), Baylor-Waco, TX	2024
COABE National Conference, Nashville, TN	2024
47 <sup>th</sup> Annual Conference Literacy Association of Ireland, Dublin, Ireland	2023
Literacy Texas Annual Conference, Literacy Unleashed	2023